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THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



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1 **[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION**
2 **ON TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2016, ON PAGE 164]**

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6 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING, MEMBERS AND THE PUBLIC. THE
7 LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MARCH 15, 2016
8 MEETING WILL NOW COME TO ORDER. [GAVEL.] THE INVOCATION THIS
9 MORNING WILL BE LED BY ABBOTT VENERABLE HUI DONG, HSI LAI
10 TEMPLE, HACIENDA HEIGHTS. AND THE PLEDGE WILL BE LED BY
11 DOUGLAS MENDELSON, TEXAS A.&.M. UNIVERSITY CORPS OF CADETS
12 AND ARMY RESERVE OFFICERS' TRAINING CORPS FROM CLAREMONT.
13 PLEASE STAND.

14

15 **ABBOT VEN. HUI DONG:** A PRAYER FOR PEOPLE OF ALL VOCATIONS AND
16 ENDEAVORS. ALL THAT ARE SACRED, TODAY WITH SINCERITY, WE PRAY
17 TO YOU. SOME OF US SERVING ORGANIZATIONS OF INDUSTRY, COMMERCE
18 OR ENTERPRISE. SOME WORK FOR THE INSTITUTIONS OF GOVERNMENT,
19 EDUCATION, MILITARY, OR LAW ENFORCEMENT. SOME ARE HOUSEWIVES.
20 SOME ARE RETIRED LIVING IN WELL-EARNED TRANQUILLITY. WE OFTEN
21 FEEL THE IMPERFECTION IN OURSELVES. WE OFTEN SENSE THE
22 HARDSHIPS IN OUR LIVES. THEREFORE TODAY WE OF ALL VOCATIONS
23 AND ENDEAVORS ARE HERE IN FRONT OF THE SACRED TO PRAY TO YOU.
24 WE DO NOT ASK IN HOPE OF ENLIGHTENMENT NOW. WE PRAY THAT YOU
25 WILL ENABLE US TO BECOME A KIND PEOPLE. WE DO NOT ASK IN HOPE

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1 OF ELIMINATE ALL WORRIES. WE PRAY THAT YOU WILL ENABLE US TO
2 HAVE FEWER WORRIES. THROUGH THE GUIDING LIGHT OF YOUR
3 COMPASSION, MAY OUR LABORERS, THROUGH DILIGENT EFFORT,
4 INCREASE PRODUCTION AND BESTOW GREAT CONTRIBUTIONS TO OUR
5 NATION. MAY OUR FARMERS STRIVE TO PRODUCE BOUNTIFUL HARVESTS
6 AND ENSURE THAT PEOPLE NEVER LACK OF BASIC NECESSITIES. MAY
7 OUR BUSINESS SECTOR FURTHER PROMOTE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT
8 AND PROVIDE CONVENIENCE FOR THE COMMUNITIES. MAY TEACHERS
9 GUIDE AND PROTECT THEIR PUPILS, FOSTER TALENT THROUGH
10 INNOVATION AND ELEVATE SOCIETY TO BRIGHTER AND VASTER
11 HORIZONS. MAY PARENTS RAISE THEIR CHILDREN WITH LOVE AND
12 ESTABLISH FINE MODELS FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS. ALL THAT ARE
13 SACRED, WE PRAY THAT PEOPLE OF EVERY SOCIAL STATUS, THROUGH
14 THE NURTURE AND PROTECTION OF YOUR IMMEASURABLE KINDNESS MAY
15 ALL FOLLOW THE TRUTH, UPHOLD THE MORAL VALUES THAT HOLD TO
16 THEMSELVES, AND ELIMINATING ALL WRONG DOINGS, STRIVE TO DO
17 GOOD, HAVE DEEP UNDERSTANDING OF TRUTH, REPENT THEIR OWN
18 HINDRANCES, AND CULTIVATE A POSITIVE AFFINITY WITH OTHERS IN
19 BENEFIT OF SOCIETY. ALL THAT ARE SACRED, TODAY WE SINCERELY
20 REVIEW OUR HEARTS. WE PRAY THAT ALL PEOPLE IN THE WORLD TO
21 ELIMINATE GREED, ANGER, AND IGNORANCE AND TO DILIGENTLY
22 CULTIVATE PURITY AND WISDOM. WE PRAY THAT ALL THE BEINGS, ALL
23 THE PEOPLE TO LEARN RESPECT AND TOLERANCE AND TO LIVE IN
24 CONSUMMATE HARMONY WITHOUT DISPUTE. ALL THAT IS SACRED, PLEASE

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1 HEAR OUR SINCERE AND PIOUS PRAYER. PLEASE HEAR OUR SINCEREST
2 AND PIOUS PRAYER.

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4 **DOUGLAS MENDELSON:** PLEASE REMAIN STANDING AND PLACE YOUR HAND
5 OVER YOUR HEART. VETERANS FEEL FREE TO SALUTE, AND JOIN ME IN
6 THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]
7 THANK YOU.

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9 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, IT'S MY
10 PLEASURE TO THANK THE VENERABLE HUI DONG, WHO IS A CURRENT
11 ABBOTT AT THE HSI LAI TEMPLE IN HACIENDA HEIGHTS, THE LARGEST
12 BUDDHIST TEMPLE IN THE WEST. HE IS ORIGINALLY FROM BEIJING. HE
13 GRADUATED FROM -- UNIVERSITY OF FOREIGN STUDIES IN CHINA FOR
14 HIS B.A., SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY IN EDWARDSVILLE FOR HIS
15 M.B.A. AND IS CURRENTLY A P.H.D. CANDIDATE AT THE UNIVERSITY
16 OF THE WEST. HSI LAI TEMPLE IS ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN THE
17 COMMUNITY OF HACIENDA HEIGHTS AND THE REGION BY PARTICIPATING
18 IN COMMUNITY EVENTS SUCH AS OUR ANNUAL PUBLIC SAFETY LUNCHEON,
19 THE ANNUAL SPARK OF LOVE TOY DRIVE, WINTER LOVE JOY CLOTHING
20 DRIVE, WHICH DONATES CLOTHING TO THE LONG BEACH MISSION. THEY
21 ARE VERY, VERY BUSY THROUGHOUT THE YEAR OFFERING CLASSES,
22 WORKSHOPS AND HOSTING SPECIAL EVENTS SUCH AS THEIR ANNUAL
23 LUNAR NEW YEAR'S CELEBRATION, WHICH DREW OVER 50,000 VISITORS
24 AND DEVOTEES ON FEBRUARY 8TH OF THIS YEAR. SO WE'D LIKE TO
25 THANK HUI DONG FOR TAKING HIS TIME TO COME JOIN US AND TO HIS

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1 FRIENDS BUT MOST IMPORTANTLY THANK HIM FOR ALL THAT THE TEMPLE
2 DOES ON BEHALF OF THE COMMUNITY. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AT THIS TIME, IT'S A GREAT PLEASURE TO
5 INTRODUCE CADET DOUGLAS, WHO IS A LONGTIME FRIEND. I WATCHED
6 DOUGLAS GROW UP, DOUGLAS MENDELSON. HIS MOTHER IS MY DEPUTY
7 IN CHARGE OF AIR QUALITY FOR MY OFFICE. AND HE IS A CADET AT
8 TEXAS A.&.M. UNIVERSITY. I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY OF SERVING WITH
9 HIS FATHER IN THE RESERVES. HIS FATHER IS NOW A MAJOR IN THE
10 UNITED STATES ARMY ON HIS WAY TO BECOME A GENERAL, JUST AS
11 DOUGLAS WILL BECOME A GENERAL ONE DAY. HE WAS AN EAGLE SCOUT,
12 AND HE WAS ON A SCHOLARSHIP TO TEXAS A.&.M. AND THERE ARE SOME
13 OTHER STUDENTS FROM OUR GREAT STATE AND OUR GREAT COUNTY WHO
14 ARE ALSO IN TEXAS RIGHT NOW GETTING THEIR EDUCATION. BUT,
15 DOUGLAS, THANK YOU FOR COMING DOWN. I WATCHED HIM GROW UP FROM
16 A LITTLE BOY TO A MAN TODAY. AND IT'S A REAL PLEASURE TO HAVE
17 HIM LEAD US IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. DOUG? [APPLAUSE.]

18

19 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIR AND
20 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA
21 WILL BEGIN ON PAGE 3, REPORTS. ON ITEM R-1, THIS ITEM RELATES
22 TO AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 AND WILL BE HELD FOR A REPORT. ON PAGE 4,
23 SPECIAL DISTRICT AGENDAS, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE
24 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION. ON ITEM 1-D, AS LISTED ON
25 THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THIS ITEM IS BEFORE YOU.

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2 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL. SECONDED,
3 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER.

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5 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** THANK YOU. THIS ITEM WILL BE
6 CONTINUED AS NOTED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA FOR ONE WEEK. ON
7 PAGE 5, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN
8 SPACE DISTRICT. ITEM 1-P, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAS REQUESTED
9 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE 6, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS
10 1 THROUGH 13, ON ITEM NO. 2, THIS INCLUDES THE REVISION AS
11 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA AND THE DIRECTOR OF THE
12 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
13 CONTINUED FOR ONE WEEK. ON PAGE 7, ON ITEM NO. 3, SUPERVISOR
14 KNABE REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE 8, ITEM NO. 6,
15 SUPERVISOR SOLIS ABSTAINS. ON PAGE 9 AND ITEM NO. 9,
16 SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT HER MOTION BE REVISED TO READ,
17 "THE UNITED STATES CENSUS BUREAU DATA ON POVERTY THRESHOLDS,
18 RATES OF UNEMPLOYMENT OR HOMELESSNESS." ON PAGE 10, AGENDA
19 ITEM NO. 12, THIS INCLUDES THE REVISION ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
20 AGENDA. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
21 REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 6, THIS ITEM, A
22 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THE
23 REMAINING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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2 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER.

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4 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** ON PAGE 11, CONSENT CALENDAR, ITEMS
5 14 THROUGH 37. A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT ITEMS 14
6 AND 15 BE HELD. A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT ITEMS 16
7 BE HELD. A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT ITEM 18 BE HELD.
8 AND THIS ITEM WAS AMENDED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, AND THE
9 DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
10 CONTINUED FOR ONE WEEK.

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12 **SUP. KNABE:** 18?

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14 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** YES. 18. DIRECTOR OF HEALTH
15 SERVICES REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK. ON
16 ITEM NO. 20, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
17 HELD. AND ON ITEM 19, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT
18 THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 21, THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES
19 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED FOR ONE WEEK. ON ITEM 23,
20 A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON
21 ITEM 22, 24, 25 AND 26, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT
22 THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON ITEM 28, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
23 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 30, A MEMBER OF THE
24 PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 35, A MEMBER
25 OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 37, THE

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1 REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
2 CONTINUED FOR ONE WEEK. THE REMAINING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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4 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. SECONDED,
5 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER.

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7 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** ON PAGE 21, ORDINANCE FOR
8 INTRODUCTION. ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION AMENDING COUNTY CODE
9 TITLE 6, SALARIES, TO AMEND SPECIAL RATES RELATED TO
10 ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION FOR TWO LICENSED PHARMACIST POSITIONS
11 IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES, AMEND THE TABLE OF
12 CLASSES OF POSITIONS, CHANGE THE SALARIES OF ONE
13 NONREPRESENTED DENTIST POSITION AND 8 NONREPRESENTED LICENSED
14 PHARMACISTS' POSITIONS AND AMEND DEPARTMENTAL PROVISIONS
15 RELATING TO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT.
16 THIS ITEM RELATES TO NO. 14, AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAS
17 REQUESTED THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.

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19 **SUP. KNABE:** 38?

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21 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** YES. THAT WAS ON ITEM 38. ON PAGE
22 22, MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED
23 MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AS INDICATED ON
24 THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ITEM 39-A, THIS ITEM IS BEFORE YOU.

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4 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** ON ITEM 39-B, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH
5 AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON
6 ITEM 39-C, ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION AMENDING COUNTY CODE,
7 TITLE 11, HEALTH AND SAFETY, TO ADD A CHAPTER TO AUTHORIZE A
8 THREAT ASSESSMENT FOR CERTAIN PUBLIC EVENTS WITH ATTENDANCE
9 LEVELS IN EXCESS OF 10,000 ON COUNTY-OWNED PROPERTY OR IN THE
10 UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF THE COUNTY. THIS ITEM IS BEFORE YOU.

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12 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SOLIS. SECONDED BY KUEHL. WITHOUT
13 OBJECTION, SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER.

14

15 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** ON PAGE 25, NOTICES OF CLOSED
16 SESSION FOR MARCH 15, 2016, ON ITEM C.S.-1, SUPERVISOR SOLIS
17 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK. THAT COMPLETES
18 THE READING OF THE AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS
19 BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 2.

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21 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GIVEN THAT SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS IS NOT
22 HERE, I'LL BE MAKING A SPECIAL PRESENTATION ON HIS BEHALF.
23 MEMBERS, GOOD MORNING, TODAY WE CELEBRATE THE TENURED
24 LEADERSHIP OF MISS ANITA L. DEFRANTZ. ANITA LUCETTE DEFRANTZ
25 WAS BORN IN PHILADELPHIA AND SPENT HER FORMATIVE YEARS IN

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1 INDIANAPOLIS. SHE MATRICULATED AT CONNECTICUT COLLEGE,
2 GRADUATING WITH A PHILOSOPHY DEGREE. MS. DEFRANTZ ATTENDED LAW
3 SCHOOL AT THE UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA WITH THE INTENTION OF
4 BECOMING A PRACTICING ATTORNEY AND ONE DAY A JUDGE. AFTER
5 BEING ADMITTED TO THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE BAR, SHE PRACTICED
6 LAW AT THE JUVENILE LAW CENTER OF PHILADELPHIA. EVEN WHILE
7 STUDYING FOR THE BAR, SHE WAS DISTINGUISHING HERSELF AS A TOP-
8 RANKED ATHLETE. HAVING DISCOVERED ROWING DURING HER COLLEGE
9 SOPHOMORE YEAR, MS. DEFRANTZ WENT ON TO BE THE CAPTAIN OF THE
10 AMERICAN ROWING TEAM IN THE 1976 SUMMER OLYMPICS, LEADING THEM
11 TO WIN A BRONZE MEDAL. SHE WON A SILVER MEDAL AT THE 1978
12 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP AND WAS A SIX TIME UNITED STATES NATIONAL
13 CHAMPION. IN 1984, THE UNITED STATES OLYMPIC COMMITTEE HIRED
14 HER TO SERVE AS THE VICE PRESIDENT OF THE LOS ANGELES GAMES
15 COMMITTEE. SHE DIRECTED OLYMPIC VILLAGE PROJECTS FOR THE 1984,
16 1988 AND 1996 GAMES. BOY, WE SURE COULD USE YOU. IN 1986, MS.
17 DEFRANTZ BECAME THE FIRST WOMAN AND THE FIRST AFRICAN-AMERICAN
18 TO REPRESENT THE UNITED STATES IN THE INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC
19 COMMITTEE. 11 YEARS LATER, SHE WAS ELECTED TO SERVE A FOUR-
20 YEAR TERM AS THE INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE'S FIRST
21 FEMALE VICE PRESIDENT. FOR 28 YEARS, MS. DEFRANTZ SERVED AS
22 PRESIDENT OF THE AMATEUR ATHLETIC FOUNDATION, NOW KNOWN AS THE
23 L.A. 84 FOUNDATION, WHICH WAS FORMED TO MANAGE THE \$94 MILLION
24 SURPLUS FROM THE LOS ANGELES OLYMPIC GAMES. IN 2010, AS THE
25 LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT WAS PREPARING TO ELIMINATE

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1 SPORTS TEAMS AND COACHING POSITIONS DUE TO A \$1.3 MILLION
2 REDUCTION IN THE SPORTS BUDGET, L.A. 84 ROUNDED UP DONORS TO
3 KEEP THE STUDENT ATHLETES IN THE GAME. THERE, SAVE OUR SPORTS
4 INITIATIVE RAISED \$1.4 MILLION. DUE TO HER LEADERSHIP OF MS.
5 DEFRANTZ AND THE BOARD AND THE STAFF OF L.A. 84, THE SPORTS
6 PROGRAM EXISTED AT 72 HIGH SCHOOLS AND THEY WERE SAVED.
7 EARLIER THIS YEAR, MS. DEFRANTZ RETIRED FROM L.A. 84 AFTER
8 TURNING ITS \$94 MILLION SURPLUS INTO A WHOPPING \$220 MILLION
9 TO BENEFIT MORE THAN 3 MILLION BOYS AND GIRLS AND 1,500 YOUTH
10 SPORTS ORGANIZATIONS THROUGHOUT SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. THANK YOU
11 FOR THAT. IT'S A PLEASURE FOR ME TO CONGRATULATE MS. ANITA
12 DEFRANTZ ON HER PRODIGIOUS ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN HER NEARLY THREE
13 DECADES OF LEADERSHIP OF THE L.A. 84 FOUNDATION AND TO WISH
14 HER WELL IN HER FUTURE ENDEAVORS. WE'RE SO PROUD OF YOU. YOU
15 ARE INDEED A WOMAN OF HISTORY. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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17 **ANITA DEFRANTZ:** FIRST OF ALL, THANK YOU TO THE SUPERVISORS FOR
18 THIS WONDERFUL HONOR. I IMMIGRATED TO THE CITY OF ANGELS IN
19 1981, AND IN 10 MINUTES I KNEW IT WAS HOME. IT'S A PLACE THAT
20 WELCOMES EVERYONE. AND I WAS DELIGHTED TO BE A PART OF THE
21 1984 OLYMPIC GAMES, AND I'M WORKING NOW TO MAKE SURE THAT WE
22 BRING THE GAMES BACK IN 2024. IT TRULY IS THE CITY OF ANGELS.
23 THE GAMES MADE SUCH A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF SO MANY
24 PEOPLE IN '84 AND CONTINUES TO DO SO WITH THE WORK OF THE L.A.
25 84 FOUNDATION, WHICH IS REPRESENTED BY THE NEW PRESIDENT,

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1 RENATA SIMRIL, AND MY LONG-STANDING VICE PRESIDENT, WAYNE
2 WILSON, HERE TODAY. IT'S A WONDERFUL THING THAT WE CREATED IN
3 THIS CITY. IT CONTINUES TO SERVE PEOPLE AT NO TAXPAYERS' COST,
4 NOR WILL THE 2024 GAME. SO THANK YOU ALL FOR RECOGNIZING ME.
5 I'M A PART OF A TEAM THAT MAKES THINGS HAPPEN FOR THIS
6 WONDERFUL CITY AND THIS COMMUNITY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
7 [APPLAUSE.]

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAME CHAIR, COULD I JUST ADD A COUPLE THINGS?
10 ANITA HAS BEEN ON THE FOREFRONT OF THE ORIGINAL VISION ABILITY
11 84 AND WHAT THAT DID FOR LOS ANGELES AND LOS ANGELES COUNTY
12 AND THE PROGRAMS AND THE OUTREACH. L.A. 84 HAS JUST BEEN A
13 SPECTACULAR PARTNER FOR ALL OF US IN THE ENTIRE COUNTY, ALL OF
14 OUR DISTRICTS, AND DUE TO HER LEADERSHIP. AND I JUST WANTED TO
15 SAY A PERSONAL HEARTFELT THANK YOU FROM WHERE IT STARTED TO
16 WHERE YOU'VE TAKEN IT AND LOOK FORWARD TO MANY, MANY MORE
17 YEARS. YOU DID AN INCREDIBLE JOB. THANK YOU.

18

19 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** YES, I WANTED TO ADD TO THAT. I DON'T THINK
20 IT NEEDS TO BE SAID BUT YOU'VE BEEN AN INSPIRATION, AS WELL,
21 TO ALL OF THE YOUNG GIRLS AND WOMEN WHO LOOK TO SEE IF THIS IS
22 AN AREA IN WHICH THEY CAN SUCCEED, TO BE SEEN AS ATHLETES AND
23 SCHOLARS. AND I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR ALL THE WORK THAT YOU'VE
24 DONE WITH ALL OF OUR DIFFERENT GROUPS OF STUDENTS, GROUPS OF

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1 YOUNG PEOPLE, BUT ESPECIALLY THE WOMEN AND GIRLS. THANKS,
2 ANITA.

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4 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE'LL ASK ALL THE BOARD MEMBERS IF THEY'D
5 LIKE TO TAKE A PHOTO. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, WOULD YOU LIKE TO
6 JOIN US?

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8 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NOW, MEMBERS, I'D LIKE TO TAKE THIS
9 OPPORTUNITY TO INTRODUCE SOMEONE FROM MY DISTRICT. MARIA ELENA
10 GAITAN. MARIA ELENA, ALSO KNOWN AS CHOLA CON CELLO, WAS BORN
11 AND RAISED IN EAST L.A. SHE WAS RECENTLY RECOGNIZED WITH THE
12 SOR JUANA LEGACY AWARD BY THE CHICAGO MUSEUM OF ART. THE AWARD
13 HONORS A WOMAN OF MEXICAN DESCENT WHOSE LIFETIME CONTRIBUTIONS
14 TO THE ARTS AND/OR ACADEMIA EXEMPLIFIES AND CONTINUES TO HONOR
15 THE LEGACY OF SOR JUANA INES DE LA CRUZ. SHE HAS ALSO
16 PERFORMED WITH MEMBERS OF LOS ANGELES PHILHARMONIC, COMMUNITY
17 PERFORMERS, AND WAS THE FIRST LATINA INVITED AND HONORED TO
18 EXPLORE THE AFRICAN DIASPORA AT THE INVITATION OF THE FORD
19 FOUNDATION. MARIA ELENA WAS AND HAS WORN MANY HATS AS A
20 MUSICIAN, A LINGUIST, CULTURAL WORKER, SCHOLAR, AND EDUCATOR.
21 BUT SHE HAS ALWAYS SERVED HER COMMUNITY IN LOS ANGELES FIRST
22 THROUGH HER SERVICE AND ACTIVISM. WE WANT TO THANK OUR GOOD
23 FRIEND, JACKIE GOLDBERG, A FORMER ASSEMBLYWOMAN AND SCHOOL
24 BOARD MEMBER FOR L.A. UNIFIED, FOR INTRODUCING ME TO THIS
25 WONDERFUL WOMAN. I WANT TO THANK YOU, JACKIE, FOR ALL THAT

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1 YOU'VE DONE AND THIS DAY TO PRESENT THIS SCROLL TO MARIA ELENA
2 GAITAN FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ENTIRE COUNTY OF LOS
3 ANGELES. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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5 **MARIA ELENA GAITAN:** GOOD MORNING. BUENOS DIAS. HONORABLE
6 SUPERVISOR, HILDA SOLIS, MEMBERS OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
7 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, IT HAS BEEN MY GREAT PRIVILEGE TO SERVE
8 THE PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, THE COUNTY IN WHICH I WAS
9 BORN, FOR NEARLY 30 YEARS, 15 YEARS AS A CERTIFIED SPANISH
10 INTERPRETER AND TRAINER OF INTERPRETER PERFORMANCE WITH THE
11 CRIMINAL AND THE CIVIL COURTS FROM 1980 TO '95, ANOTHER THREE
12 YEARS AS YOUR FIRST LATINA MEMBER AND VICE PRESIDENT OF THE
13 LOS ANGELES COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION, WHERE I HAD THE
14 DISTINCT HONOR AND CHALLENGE OF INTRODUCING WORLD ARTS AND
15 CULTURES AND CULTURAL DIVERSITY TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY HIGH
16 SCHOOL FOR THE ARTS. BUT MORE RECENTLY, I EXPERIENCED THE MOST
17 CHALLENGING 10 YEARS OF MY ENTIRE PROFESSIONAL CAREER WHEN I
18 WAS INVITED TO OPEN THE FIELD OF MEDICAL OR HEALTHCARE
19 INTERPRETING AND CULTURAL COMPETENCY FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF
20 HEALTH SERVICES IN 2003. DURING THE FOLLOWING DECADE, I MET
21 AND TRAINED THOUSANDS OF FRONTLINE HEALTHCARE WORKERS,
22 INCLUDING PHYSICIANS, AT EVERY SINGLE COUNTY HOSPITAL AND MOST
23 OF ITS CLINICS. IN THE PROCESS OF THIS MONUMENTAL TASK OF
24 INTRODUCING NEW LANGUAGE CONCEPTS, SKILLS, CURRICULUM, AND
25 COMPLIANCE ISSUES TO AN ENTIRE SYSTEM OF OVER 28,000

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1 EMPLOYEES, I FELT THE NEED TO HUMANIZE THOSE CLASSES HELD IN
2 HOSPITAL AUDITORIUMS, CLASSROOMS, AND BASEMENTS, THE PLACES
3 WHERE I TAUGHT MANY 40-HOUR HEALTHCARE INTERPRETER TRAINING
4 COURSES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. FOR THIS, I NEEDED HELP. SO I
5 BROUGHT MY BEST FRIEND, AN 18TH CENTURY ITALIAN CELLO THAT HAS
6 BEEN MY CARETAKER SINCE I WAS 15 YEARS OLD. TOGETHER WE
7 INTEGRATED LIVE MUSIC PERFORMANCE AS WELL AS VISUAL ARTS INTO
8 THE PROCESS OF CREATING AND TEACHING THE COUNTY'S FIRST
9 HEALTHCARE INTERPRETING AND CULTURAL COMPETENCY CURRICULUM.
10 INSPIRED BY THE DEDICATION, DISCIPLINE, STAMINA, AND
11 UNRELENTING RESPONSIBILITIES OF THOSE FRONTLINE HOSPITAL STAFF
12 WHO I TAUGHT BUT ALSO WHO I LEARNED FROM, IT WAS CLEAR FROM
13 THE BEGINNING THAT MUSIC WAS AN IMPORTANT ALLY CAPABLE OF
14 HUMANIZING THE LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS THAT HAD TO BE CREATED IN
15 THOSE AUDITORIUMS, CLASSROOMS, AND BASEMENTS OF OUR HOSPITALS
16 AND CLINICS, BECAUSE MUSIC HAS THE CAPACITY TO PLAY THAT
17 CENTRAL ROLE, NOT ONLY IN LEARNING BUT IN BRINGING RESPITE AND
18 COMFORT TO THOSE WHO WORK ON THE FRONTLINES, TO THOSE WHO ARE
19 RESPONSIBLE FOR THE LIVES OF OTHERS EVERY SINGLE DAY. THE
20 MUSIC WAS FOR THEM. LAST NOVEMBER, UNEXPECTEDLY, I RECEIVED A
21 LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD FROM THE MEXICAN MUSEUM IN CHICAGO,
22 AN INSTITUTION THAT HAS SUPPORTED MY CREATIVE WORK IN MUSIC
23 AND PERFORMANCE FOR OVER TWO DECADES. THEY BESTOWED THE SOR
24 JUANA AWARD, NAMED AFTER A 17TH-CENTURY GENIUS REBEL NUN WHO
25 WAS A POET AND A SCIENTIST DESPITE THE PERCEIVED SOCIAL

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1 LIMITATIONS OF HER GENDER. THIS AWARD CAME NOT ONLY AS
2 RECOGNITION FOR THE PERSONAL CREATIVE WORK AND COLLABORATIONS
3 I MAY HAVE PRESENTED TO THE PUBLIC AUDIENCES OVER TIME, BUT
4 FOR THE YEARS I BROUGHT MUSIC INTO THE SPHERE OF PUBLIC
5 HOSPITALS AND CLINICS AS THE FIELD OF HEALTHCARE INTERPRETING
6 WAS BEING FORGED, A PLACE WHERE LANGUAGE GOT TO MARRY MUSIC
7 FOR THE GREATER INTANGIBLE GOOD OF HEALTHCARE. TODAY I'M
8 HONORED TO ACCEPT YOUR GENEROUS RECOGNITION, NOT OF ME, BUT OF
9 THE VALUE OF THE WORK ITSELF, OF THE ROLE AND THE RELATIONSHIP
10 OF LANGUAGE, MUSIC, ARTS, AND CULTURE IN HEALTHCARE, IN
11 EDUCATION, AND EVEN IN THE COURTS. AND FOR ALLOWING ME THE
12 OPPORTUNITY TO BRING LIVE MUSIC PERFORMANCE AND ALL THAT THAT
13 IMPLIES INTO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF PROFESSIONAL HEALTHCARE
14 INTERPRETING AND CULTURAL COMPETENCY, I HUMBLY THANK YOU,
15 HONORABLE SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS AND EACH OF YOU, AS WELL AS
16 JACKIE GOLDBERG AND SHARON STRIKER, MY FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES
17 OF MANY YEARS, FOR BELIEVING IN THE ARTS AND HEALTHCARE ENOUGH
18 TO BRING ME HERE TODAY. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

19

20 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MEMBERS, AS WE CELEBRATE WOMEN'S HISTORY
21 MONTH IN MARCH, IT'S VERY NOTABLE THAT TODAY WE'RE TAKING THIS
22 OPPORTUNITY TO WELCOME TWO NEW CONSUL GENERALS TO THEIR POSTS
23 IN LOS ANGELES AND BOTH HAPPEN TO BE WOMEN. FIRST, I AM VERY
24 HONORED TO PRESENT TO YOU THE NEW AUSTRALIAN CONSUL GENERAL
25 FROM LOS ANGELES, THE HONORABLE CHELSEY MARTIN. THANK YOU FOR

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1 BEING HERE. THE CONSUL GENERAL IS A CAREER OFFICER WITH THE
2 AUSTRALIAN DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND TRADE. SHE HOLDS
3 A BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE WITH HONORS FROM THE AUSTRALIAN
4 NATIONAL UNIVERSITY. AFTER JOINING THE DEPARTMENT, SHE SERVED
5 IN THE TRADE AND ADVOCACY OUTREACH SECTION FROM 2004 TO 2005
6 AND WENT ON TO THE MEDIA LIAISON SECTION, WHERE SHE CONTINUED
7 HER EXPERIENCE IN WORKING IN PUBLIC AFFAIRS AND ECONOMIC
8 DIPLOMACY. SHE CAME TO THE AUSTRALIAN EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON,
9 D.C. AS CONSULAR, PUBLIC AFFAIRS, FROM 2006-2009 AND AGAIN AS
10 CONSULAR POLITICAL AS THE AUSTRALIAN PERMANENT MISSION TO THE
11 UNITED NATIONS IN NEW YORK FROM 2011 TO 2014. IN BETWEEN HER
12 TIME AS CONSULAR, SHE RETURNED HOME TO SERVE AS SENIOR
13 ADVISOR, GLOBAL AND REGIONAL ARCHITECT IN THE DEPARTMENT OF
14 THE PRIME MINISTER AND CABINET FROM 2009 TO 2010. SHE RECEIVED
15 HER ACCREDITATION AS CONSUL GENERAL OF AUSTRALIA IN LOS
16 ANGELES LAST NOVEMBER 6TH. ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF
17 SUPERVISORS AND THE MORE THAN 10 MILLION RESIDENTS IN THE
18 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, I'M PLEASED TO WELCOME CONSUL GENERAL
19 CHELSEY MARTIN TO LOS ANGELES, AND WE PLEDGE TO SUPPORT YOU
20 AND WORK WITH YOU ON YOUR MISSION HERE TO ENHANCE AN ALREADY
21 VERY SPECIAL RELATIONSHIP THAT WE HAVE WITH YOUR COUNTRY.
22 CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.]

23

24 **HON. CHELSEY MARTIN:** THANK YOU. I JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU
25 VERY MUCH, CHAIR, FOR THAT VERY WARM WELCOME AND TO THE BOARD

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1 OF SUPERVISORS. IT'S A PLEASURE TO BE HERE TODAY AND AN HONOR
2 TO GET THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET ALL OF YOU. I LOOK FORWARD TO
3 WORKING VERY CLOSELY WITH THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DURING MY
4 TERM. AS YOU MENTIONED, WE ALREADY HAVE A FANTASTIC
5 RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN AUSTRALIA AND LOS ANGELES, AND I LOOK
6 FORWARD TO WORKING REALLY HARD TO CONTINUE TO GROW THAT. SO
7 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

8

9 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I HAVE ONE MORE, MEMBERS. NOW I'D LIKE TO
10 INVITE UP THE NEW SOUTH AFRICAN CONSUL GENERAL IN LOS ANGELES,
11 THE HONORABLE DANIELLE DE BRUYN GRADY. THANK YOU FOR BEING
12 HERE THIS MORNING. THE CONSUL GENERAL HOLDS A MASTER'S OF LAW
13 DEGREE FROM PATRICE LAMUMBA UNIVERSITY IN MOSCOW, RUSSIA AND
14 SHE DID HER POSTGRADUATE STUDIES AT OXFORD AND IN THE U.S. SHE
15 WAS ACTIVE IN THE ANTI-APARTHEID MOVEMENT IN THE 1980S AND
16 1990S, AND IN THE 1990S SHE WAS A TEAM MEMBER OF THE AFRICAN
17 NATIONAL CONGRESS LAWYERS' DELEGATION TO SWEDEN THAT DEVELOPED
18 A REPORT FOR A CONSTITUTION OF POST-APARTHEID SOUTH AFRICA.
19 SHE HAS BEEN A CONSULTANT AT THE WORLD BANK ON HUMAN RIGHTS
20 LAW AND WAS A MEMBER OF THE CAPE COD HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION
21 IN CAPE COD, MASSACHUSETTS FROM 2005 TO 2007, WHERE SHE WAS
22 ESPECIALLY ACTIVE IN THE PROTECTION OF THE RIGHTS OF
23 IMMIGRANTS. SHE IS FLUENT IN ENGLISH, SPANISH, RUSSIAN AND
24 AFRIKAANS AND CONVERSANT IN SOTHO AND ZULU. ON BEHALF OF THE
25 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND THE MORE THAN 10 MILLION

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1 RESIDENTS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, I AM PLEASED TO WELCOME OUR
2 NEW CONSUL GENERAL GRADY TO LOS ANGELES AND TO PLEDGE OUR
3 CONTINUED SUPPORT TO YOU AND YOUR MISSION AND TO YOUR COUNTRY
4 THAT WE BOTH SHARE FOND DESIRES TO SEE IMPROVEMENT IN EVERY
5 LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT. CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

6

7 **HON. DANIELLE DE BRUYN GRADY:** GOOD MORNING. THANK YOU SO VERY
8 MUCH FOR HAVING ME, AND THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THAT WARM
9 WELCOME. AGAIN, LIKE MY COLLEAGUE FROM AUSTRALIA, THE SOUTH
10 AFRICAN CONSULATE AND MYSELF LOOK VERY MUCH FORWARD TO
11 CONTINUAL ENGAGEMENTS. YOU SEEM TO DO A LOT OF PROGRESSIVE
12 WORK, AND WE'RE ALL ABOUT PROGRESS. I LOOK FORWARD TO ALL
13 ENGAGEMENTS WITH YOU, AND I WILL LOOK FORWARD TO BEING A TEAM
14 AND CONTINUED GOOD RELATIONS WITH THE SUPERVISING BOARD AND
15 THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR WELCOMING ME THAT WAY.

16

17 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

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19 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. EVERY YEAR WE
20 PRESENT THE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES LIFTS UP ITS
21 LEADERS IN PATIENT SAFETY. THIS MORNING, WE RECOGNIZE A NUMBER
22 OF OUR FINE LEADERS, AND WE'RE VERY, VERY HAPPY NOT ONLY TO
23 HAVE THEM WITH US BUT TO RECOGNIZE THEIR EXCELLENT WORK. SO AS
24 THEY COME ON BOARD, MAY I ASK EDGAR LAZO TO COME FORWARD FOR A
25 MINUTE. WE'LL SINGLE YOU OUT HERE. I'M HONORED TO PRESENT

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1 EDGAR LAZO WITH THE SUPPORT STAFF PATIENT SAFETY AWARD,
2 PATIENT FINANCIAL SERVICE WORKER AT L.A.C.+U.S.C. EMERGENCY
3 DEPARTMENT. HE IS A KEY STAKEHOLDER IN THE DEPARTMENT'S
4 PATIENT FLOW, LEAN TEAM PROJECT, GETTING PATIENTS SEEN BY
5 THEIR PROVIDERS FASTER, AND HIS ENTHUSIASM IS INTEGRAL TO THE
6 TEAM'S EFFORTS. PLEASE GIVE HIM A BIG HAND. CONGRATULATIONS.
7 [APPLAUSE.] I'M ALSO PLEASED TO PRESENT DR. KIM. DR. KIM,
8 CONGRATULATIONS. WITH THE 2015 MANAGERIAL PATIENT SAFETY
9 LEADER AWARD. DR. KIM MANAGES L.A.C.+U.S.C.'S EMERGENCY
10 DEPARTMENT, WHICH IS ONE OF THE BUSIEST IN SOUTHERN
11 CALIFORNIA, NOT EXACTLY LIKE THE "CODE BLACK" SERIES BUT
12 CLOSE, I BETCHA. HIS SUCCESSFUL QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS
13 HAVE HELPED TO SUBSTANTIALLY REDUCE PATIENT SAFETY RISKS. HIS
14 HARD WORK ON BEHALF OF PATIENTS HAS EARNED HIM THE RESPECT OF
15 HIS STAFF AND ALL THE REST OF US. PLEASE GIVE HIM A BIG HAND.
16 [APPLAUSE.] OUR NEXT AWARD IS FOR THE BEST IMPLEMENTED PATIENT
17 SAFETY PROJECT. I'M VERY PLEASED TO HONOR THE IMPROVING
18 PATIENT SAFETY CULTURE IN LABOR AND DELIVERY GROUP. THIS
19 PROJECT WAS DESIGNED BY DR. LESLIE CARRANZA, DR. ELIZABETH
20 BLUMENTHAL, THERESA CANIZALES, AND CYNTHIA HERNANDEZ. THEY
21 IMPLEMENTED TEAMWORK, TRAINING AND PROCESS STANDARDIZATION AT
22 THE OLIVE VIEW MEDICAL CENTER'S LABOR AND DELIVERY DEPARTMENT.
23 THIS DYNAMIC TEAM SAW NOTEWORTHY IMPROVEMENTS IN SAFETY, ERROR
24 MANAGEMENT AND TEAMWORK CULTURE. PLEASE GIVE THEM A BIG HAND.
25 CONGRATULATIONS. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR GOOD WORK.

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1 [APPLAUSE.] FOR THE BEST PATIENT SAFETY TEAM, I AM VERY
2 PLEASED TO RECOGNIZE THE OLIVE VIEW-U.C.L.A. MEDICAL CENTER
3 TELEMETRY UNIT PATIENT SAFETY TEAM FOR DEVELOPING AN
4 INDIVIDUALIZED PATIENT COMMUNICATION BOARD FOR THEIR UNIT. THE
5 PROJECT WAS LED BY FLORENCE AHENKURA WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF
6 HER TEAM OF NURSES, KARIMA ALI, RAMSEY BACHAI, JENNIFER
7 BOHAYON, CAROLINA DUTERTEY, PATRICIA JIMENEZ, CORAZON
8 INDEFENSO, CYNTHIA LASECUO, PATRICK LAM, AND ALMA SANCHEZ.
9 PLEASE GIVE THEM ALL A GREAT ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.]
10 THE TEAM'S CREATIVITY HELPED SUCCESSFULLY IMPROVE THE
11 COMMUNICATION AMONG CAREGIVERS IN THEIR UNIT AND ENHANCE
12 PATIENTS' ACTIVE INVOLVEMENT IN THEIR OWN CARE. AND, FINALLY,
13 FOR THE BEST PATIENT SAFETY PILOT PROJECT, I'M VERY HONORED TO
14 RECOGNIZE THE DEDICATED SERVICE OF THE MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
15 OUTPATIENT CENTER. LED BY DR. MONICA SONY, THE PROJECT SOUGHT
16 TO IMPROVE THE CENTER'S SAFE PRESCRIBING PROCESS OF CONTROLLED
17 SUBSTANCES. THIS PILOT PROJECT IS A WONDERFUL EFFORT TO
18 ADDRESS A VERY SERIOUS PATIENT ISSUE. PLEASE HONOR THIS TEAM
19 WITH A ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.] SO PLEASE JOIN ME AND
20 THE WHOLE BOARD, ALL OF US UP HERE, IN RECOGNIZING AND
21 HONORING ALL THESE RECIPIENTS OF THE PATIENT SAFETY AWARDS AND
22 THEIR INNOVATIVE AND CRITICAL EFFORTS TO PROMOTE PATIENT
23 SAFETY. THANK YOU SO MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]
24
25 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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1

2 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. I
3 HAVE A VERY SPECIAL FRIEND, A SPECIAL LADY WITH ME HERE TODAY,
4 ANN FRANZEN, WHO HAS BEEN ONE OF MY COMMISSIONERS FOR THE
5 CHILDREN AND FAMILIES COMMISSION FOR 10 YEARS. IN HER TIME ON
6 THE COMMISSION, SHE HAS WORKED ON ISSUES RELATED TO CHILDCARE,
7 IMPROVING NUTRITION BOTH FOR FOSTER AND PROBATION YOUTH, AND
8 SHE WORKED DILIGENTLY ON CREATING PARTNERSHIPS BETWEEN THE
9 COUNTY AND THE FAITH-BASED COMMUNITY AROUND FOSTER CARE. ALL
10 WHO KNOW HER ADORE HER AND THANK HER FOR HER GREAT WORK. SHE
11 IS TRULY COMMITTED TO THE CHILDREN OF THIS COUNTY, ESPECIALLY
12 OF THOSE IN NEED OF LOVE AND ATTENTION. SO IT'S BEEN AN HONOR
13 TO HAVE HER AS MY COMMISSIONER. MORE IMPORTANTLY, IT'S BEEN A
14 JOY AND AN HONOR TO HAVE HER AND HER HUSBAND AS DEAR FRIENDS.
15 SO I ALWAYS WANT TO SAY THANK YOU, ANN, FOR A JOB WELL DONE
16 AND WISH YOU GOD'S SPEED AND GOOD HEALTH. HOW'S THAT? ALL
17 RIGHT. [APPLAUSE.] ALL RIGHT, ANN, WOULD YOU LIKE TO SAY A
18 COUPLE WORDS?

19

20 **ANN FRANZEN:** JUST A COUPLE. I THANK DON SO MUCH FOR GIVING ME
21 THIS HONOR TO HAVE WORKED FOR 10 YEARS WITH THE CHILDREN AND
22 FAMILY SERVICES. IT'S ALL ABOUT THE CHILDREN. IT'S NOT ABOUT
23 ANY OF THE PEOPLE OR US. IT'S ABOUT THEM WHO WE NEED TO HELP,
24 LOVE AND TAKE CARE OF. AND ALL MY WONDERFUL COLLEAGUES ARE
25 HERE. NINA TOOK ME UNDER HER WING AND TAUGHT ME ALL KINDS OF

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1 WONDERFUL THINGS ABOUT CHILDREN AND FAMILY. ELIZABETH, SHE WAS
2 IN OUR SECRETARY POOL, AND SHE TOOK CARE OF ME WITH EVERYTHING
3 I NEEDED TO KNOW. AND IT'S JUST BEEN A REAL JOY TO BE ABLE TO
4 SAY THAT I WAS A COMMISSIONER FOR DON KNABE. THANK YOU.

5 [APPLAUSE.]

6

7 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FIRST WE WANT TO RECOGNIZE LISA BARRIOS, WHO
10 IS THE OWNER OF PAINT N PLAY ART STUDIO FOR THE PAST 16 YEARS.
11 SHE'S A DEDICATED ENTREPRENEUR, COMMUNITY LEADER. SHE BEGAN
12 THE HOLDIN' HANDS, HELPIN' HEARTS PROGRAM THAT CREATES
13 HANDICRAFT LEGACY, HAND IMPRINTS FOR PATIENTS WITH TERMINAL
14 ILLNESSES AT NO COST. HER PASSION FOR ARTS IN THE COMMUNITY
15 ENGAGEMENT IS FURTHER DEMONSTRATED BY HER SUPPORT AND
16 PARTNERSHIP WITH ORGANIZATIONS THAT PROMOTE THE OUTREACH TO
17 OUR COMMUNITY. THESE AWARD-WINNING PROGRAMS ARE ONLY POSSIBLE,
18 BECAUSE SHE'S A STRONG ADVOCATE FOR AT-RISK YOUTH AND LOW-
19 INCOME FAMILIES. SHE HAD BEEN AWARDED THE CITIZEN OF THE YEAR
20 AWARD BY THE MONROVIA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. SHE WAS ALSO NAMED
21 EMPLOYER OF THE YEAR FOR MENTORING YOUTH PLATFORM TO THE
22 WORKABILITY PROGRAM. SO, LISA, WE WANT TO GIVE YOU THIS
23 PROCLAMATION AND THANK YOU FOR HELPING THOSE WHO ARE NEEDY OF
24 HELP AND LOVE AND ATTENTION. [APPLAUSE.]

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1 **LISA BARRIOS:** THANK YOU, SUPERINTENDENT ANTONOVICH. WHAT WE DO
2 AT MY ART STUDIO IS WE CREATE HAND PRINTS FOR TERMINALLY ILL
3 CANCER PATIENTS. AND THIS IS A -- WE'RE VERY, VERY CLOSE TO
4 CITY OF HOPE. SO WE JOINED FORCES WITH THEM AND FELT THAT
5 THERE WAS A NEED FOR A LEGACY PIECE FOR THEIR, FOR FAMILIES.
6 SO WE GOT TOGETHER WITH CITY OF HOPE AND DECIDED TO DO THAT.
7 HAVING SAID THAT, CANCER HAS NO BOUNDARIES AND NEITHER DO WE,
8 SO WE EVENTUALLY CAME INTO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY AREA, AND
9 WE'RE WORKING WITH CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL OF LOS ANGELES NOW AND
10 CREATING ALL THESE WONDERFUL LEGACY PIECES FOR TERMINALLY-ILL
11 CANCER PATIENTS. AND THANK YOU FOR ACKNOWLEDGING IT. THIS IS A
12 PASSION OF OURS. AND EVERY SINGLE ONE OF THESE PROJECTS IS
13 VERY, VERY SPECIAL. AND I APPRECIATE YOU ACKNOWLEDGING THIS
14 AND BRINGING THIS PROGRAM TO LIGHT. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE'RE GOING TO RECOGNIZE ONE OF THE GREAT
17 WORKERS IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES WHO'S RETIRING AFTER 22
18 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE, AND THAT'S DR. BARRY PERROU, WHO
19 IS WITH OUR L.A. COUNTY HEALTH COMMISSION. TO HIS ROLE ON THE
20 COMMISSION, HE PIONEERED THE COLLABORATIVE EFFORT BETWEEN
21 MENTAL HEALTH AND LAW ENFORCEMENT IN THE CREATION OF THE
22 L.A.P.D. S.M.A.R.T. PROGRAM AND THE M.E.T. PROGRAM WITH THE
23 SHERIFF'S MOBILE RESPONSE TEAM. HE ASSISTED THE TRAINING OVER
24 2,000 LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON HOW TO RECOGNIZE NON-VIOLENT
25 INTERVENTION TO PERSONS HAVING PSYCHOTIC EPISODES. HE IS THE

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1 COFOUNDER OF THE LAW ENFORCEMENT MENTAL HEALTH CONFERENCES,
2 COLLABORATED WITH THE CALIFORNIA COMMISSION ON PEACE OFFICERS
3 STANDARDS AND TRAINING TO HELP OFFICERS ACHIEVE THAT BETTER
4 OUTCOME WHEN WORKING WITH THE MENTALLY ILL. HE ALSO DEVELOPED
5 THE COMMISSIONS "WE ARE HERE TO HELP" CARDS THAT PROVIDE
6 EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBERS. THE CARDS ARE DISTRIBUTED OVER
7 100,000 PEOPLE ANNUALLY IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. SO,
8 DOCTOR, THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR SERVICE, AND WE HOPE YOU
9 CONTINUE TO BE INVOLVED. LET'S DO A PICTURE AND YOU CAN SAY A
10 FEW WORDS AND WE'LL DO A GROUP PICTURE. [APPLAUSE.]

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** MIKE, WHILE YOU'RE DOING THAT, I WANT TO ADD A
13 COUPLE WORDS ABOUT BARRY. BARRY HELPED ME, I GUESS IT'S ALMOST
14 20 YEARS AGO WE STARTED THE STEPPING IN CONFERENCE WHERE WE
15 BRING MENTAL HEALTH EXPERTS AND FIRST RESPONDERS TOGETHER. WE
16 STARTED OUT, WE HAD ABOUT 90 PEOPLE. NOW WE ARE ROOMED OUT. WE
17 HAVE OVER 600 INDIVIDUALS, BOTH MENTAL-HEALTH EXPERTS AS WELL
18 AS FIRST RESPONDERS OF ALL PARTS OF OUR COUNTY. AND SO BARRY
19 WAS AN INSTRUMENTAL PART IN BEING ABLE TO HELP US PUT THAT ALL
20 TOGETHER. SO, BARRY, THANK YOU. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

21

22 **DR. BARRY PEROU:** IT CERTAINLY IS MY PLEASURE. I APPRECIATE IT,
23 DON, FOR YOUR WORDS. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, THANK YOU VERY
24 MUCH FOR YOUR KIND WORDS AND THOUGHTS. 22 YEARS ON THE
25 COMMISSION AND 32 YEARS AT THE L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF'S

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1 DEPARTMENT. QUITE A DIFFERENT POSITION BEING A PSYCHOLOGIST.
2 COPS DON'T TRUST THEM. AND BEING A COP, PSYCHOLOGISTS DON'T
3 TRUST THEM. SO I WAS REALLY KIND OF WITHOUT FRIENDS FOR A LONG
4 TIME THERE. BUT I REALLY HAVE APPRECIATED THE WORK THAT THE
5 DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH HAS DONE AND THE COLLABORATION
6 THAT WE'RE STARTING TO SEE BETWEEN THE POLICE AGENCIES AND
7 MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

8

9 **DR. ROBIN KAY:** I WANT TO THANK THE SUPERVISORS AND ALSO A
10 HEARTFELT CONGRATULATIONS TO DR. BARRY PERROU, WHO REALLY SET
11 THE STAGE FOR THE LAW ENFORCEMENT MENTAL HEALTH WORK THAT HAS
12 COME OVER THE LAST TWO DECADES. SO THANK YOU SO MUCH, BARRY.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** TODAY WE'RE GOING TO WELCOME JACK O'BANION,
15 VICE PRESIDENT OF STRATEGY AND CUSTOMER REQUIREMENTS OF
16 LOCKHEED MARTIN, AND BRETT HAWSE, THE FOUNDING SPONSOR OF THE
17 LOS ANGELES COUNTY AIR SHOW, WHICH IS THE THIRD ANNUAL AIR
18 SHOW, WHICH WILL BE HELD THIS WEEKEND, MARCH 19-20, AT GATES
19 OPENING AT 9:00 A.M. WITH PERFORMANCES FROM NOON TO 3:30 EACH
20 DAY. WE'RE VERY EXCITED ABOUT THE UNITED STATES NAVY BLUE
21 ANGELS' DEMONSTRATION SQUADRON, WHO WILL BE RETURNING TO THE
22 ANTELOPE VALLEY TO THE AIR SHOW THIS YEAR. SO WE ENCOURAGE
23 EVERYBODY TO BRING YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY TO GENERAL WILLIAM
24 FOX AIRFIELD IN LANCASTER FOR A DAY OF FAMILY FUN AND

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1 SPECTACULAR AIR PERFORMANCES. SO, JACK, WE WANT TO THANK YOU.

2 AND, BRETT?

3

4 **JACK O'BANION:** THANK YOU, SIR. [APPLAUSE.]

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6 **BRETT HAWSE:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND THE REST OF THE BOARD,
7 THANK YOU SO MUCH. I DON'T KNOW IF YOU GUYS CAN HEAR ME OKAY.
8 SO THIS IS AN ABSOLUTE HONOR FOR ME TO BE HERE TODAY. JUST TO
9 THINK, THREE YEARS AGO, NOT EVEN THREE YEARS, 2-1/2 YEARS AGO,
10 IT WAS JUST AN IDEA TO PUT THIS AIR SHOW TOGETHER, AND HERE WE
11 ARE 2-1/2 YEARS LATER AND WE'RE ABOUT TO PUT ON OUR THIRD AIR
12 SHOW. AND REALLY WHAT I WANT TO SEND ACROSS TODAY IS THIS
13 WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN POSSIBLE IF IT WASN'T FOR THE SUPPORT FROM
14 L.A. COUNTY, FROM OUR WONDERFUL SPONSORS THAT HAVE ACTUALLY
15 BROUGHT THE SHOW TOGETHER. AND SOME QUICK FACTS. I DON'T HAVE
16 MUCH TIME, BUT ACTUALLY IN THE LAST TWO YEARS, WE'VE BEEN ABLE
17 TO ISSUE 10 SCHOLARSHIPS TO STUDENTS THAT WOULDN'T HAVE
18 OTHERWISE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO GET INTO AVIATION AND FURTHER
19 THE CAUSE. WE'VE HAD A DIRECT IMPACT OF \$1.7 MILLION FROM THE
20 LAST TWO YEARS. AND IT'S AN ABSOLUTE, AGAIN, I'M IN AWE THAT
21 I'M ACTUALLY HERE. AND I CAN'T THANK YOU GUYS ENOUGH FOR
22 INVITING US HERE AND SUPPORTING WHAT WE DO. AND WITHOUT
23 FURTHER ADO, I'D LIKE TO ASK JACK O'BANION, WHO IS A VICE
24 PRESIDENT OF LOCKHEED MARTIN. I APOLOGIZE IN ADVANCE. SKUNK
25 WORKS, WHICH THAT PROBABLY ALL RESONATES WITH EVERYBODY. SO,

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1 LOCKHEED MARTIN IS OUR -- IT'S THE SECOND YEAR IN A ROW. WE'VE
2 BEEN HONORED. THEY'VE BEEN OUR TITLE-NAMED SPONSOR FOR THE
3 SECOND YEAR IN A ROW. AND I LOOK FORWARD TO A LONG FUTURE WITH
4 THEM. AND I CAN'T THANK YOU ENOUGH FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY HEART
5 FOR MAKING THIS HAPPEN. THANK YOU.

6

7 **JACK O'BANION:** THANK YOU. WELL I, TOO, WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE
8 BOARD AND THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FOR SUPPORT OF THE AIR
9 SHOW. IT'S A VERY IMPORTANT EVENT. IT GIVES US, ONE, AN
10 OPPORTUNITY TO CELEBRATE OUR MORE THAN 100-YEAR RELATIONSHIP
11 WITH SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND THE SKUNK WORKS OF MORE THAN 70
12 YEARS IN THE CRADLE OF AVIATION INNOVATION HERE IN SOUTHERN
13 CALIFORNIA. IT'S A FANTASTIC OPPORTUNITY TO COME OUT AND SEE A
14 HOST OF AIRPLANES FROM EARLY IN THE LAST CENTURY ALL THE WAY
15 THROUGH TO STATE-OF-THE-ART TEST AIRCRAFT TODAY, AND MOST
16 IMPORTANTLY, CAPPING OFF THE SHOW WITH THE BLUE ANGELS EVENT
17 THIS YEAR, WHICH WILL BE FANTASTIC. SO WE'RE VERY PROUD TO SEE
18 THE SHOW THAT BRETT HAS PUT TOGETHER. WE'RE PROUD TO BE A
19 SPONSOR OF IT. BUT I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO SAY THAT ONE OF
20 THE MOST SIGNIFICANT ACCOMPLISHMENTS THAT COMES FROM THIS SHOW
21 IS ITS IMPACT TO THE AREA IN S.T.E.M. AND THERE IS NOTHING
22 MORE GRADFYING THAN TO SEE STUDENTS COME OUT TO THIS AIR SHOW
23 AND PERHAPS FOR THE FIRST TIME SEE DIRECT APPLICATION OF THE
24 PHYSICS AND MATHEMATICS COURSES THAT THEY TAKE IN SCHOOL TO
25 SOMETHING PRACTICAL AND, IN THEIR WORDS, COOL AND AWESOME THAT

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1 INSPIRES THEM TO POTENTIALLY PURSUE A CAREER IN S.T.E.M. AND
2 HOPEFULLY WITH AN INNOVATIVE COMPANY LIKE THE SKUNK WORKS AND
3 LOCKHEED MARTIN. WE SEE IT AS A CRITICAL ELEMENT OF PREPARING
4 THEM FOR CAREERS THAT WILL KEEP US INNOVATIVE AND AT THE
5 CUTTING EDGE OF TECHNOLOGY FOR GENERATIONS TO COME. AND WE
6 CAN'T PRAISE YOU ENOUGH FOR BEING SO FORWARD-SIGHTED IN SEEING
7 HOW A SHOW LIKE THIS CAN HAVE SUCH A BENEFICIAL IMPACT TO THE
8 COMMUNITY. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR SUPPORT. WE LOOK
9 FORWARD TO SEEING YOU SATURDAY AND SUNDAY. [APPLAUSE.]

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME JUST SAY SKUNK WORKS HAVE DEVELOPED
12 SOME OF THE MOST SOPHISTICATED AIRCRAFT THAT HAS DEFENDED OUR
13 FREEDOM OVER THE DECADES. SO WE APPRECIATE THE MEN AND WOMEN
14 WHO DEDICATED THEIR LIFE TO SKUNK WORKS TO ENSURING THAT WE
15 HAD AN AIR FORCE THAT HAD THE TECHNOLOGY ABILITIES TO DEFEND
16 OUR FREEDOMS AND OUR ALLIES' FREEDOMS, AS WELL. [APPLAUSE.]

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THIS IS A LITTLE FEMALE TERRIER WHO IS 28
19 WEEKS OLD NAMED BEBE, BEBE WITH A LITTLE TUTU. THIS IS LITTLE
20 BEBE LOOKING FOR A HOME. ANYONE WHO WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT HER
21 CAN CALL 562-728-4610. LITTLE BEBE WILL BRING YOU A LOT OF
22 LOVE AND A LITTLE PERFORMANCE ON HER TUTU. OKAY. SEE ANYBODY
23 OUT THERE, HUH? AND TELEVISION, THEY'RE WATCHING, TOO. THEY'LL
24 ADOPT YOU. YEAH. VERY DOCILE LITTLE CRITTER.

25

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1 **[RECORDING]** : LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MAY I PLEASE HAVE YOUR
2 ATTENTION. THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF
3 SUPERVISORS IS ABOUT TO COMMENCE. A CODE OF CONDUCT WILL NOW
4 BE READ AND WE REQUEST THAT YOU COMPLY WITH IT TO ENSURE THE
5 EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION OF THE MEETING. MEMBERS OF THE
6 PUBLIC, IT IS YOUR RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN TODAY'S BOARD
7 HEARING, AND THE BOARD ENCOURAGES SUCH PARTICIPATION. HOWEVER,
8 THE RIGHT OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD MUST BE BALANCED
9 WITH THE NEED TO ENSURE THAT PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INTERFERE
10 WITH THE ORDERLY COURSE OF THE BOARD'S BUSINESS. ALL ARE
11 REMINDING TO ABIDE BY THE FOLLOWING RULES: SPEAKERS MUST CEASE
12 SPEAKING IMMEDIATELY WHEN THEIR TIME HAS ENDED. PUBLIC COMMENT
13 ON AGENDA ITEMS MUST RELATE TO THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THAT
14 ITEM. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT IS LIMITED TO SUBJECTS WITHIN THE
15 JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD. PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INCLUDE THE
16 RIGHT TO ENGAGE IN A DIALOGUE WITH BOARD MEMBERS OR STAFF.
17 PLEASE REMAIN RESPECTFUL OF THE FORUM AND REFRAIN FROM
18 UTTERING, WRITING OR DISPLAYING PROFANE, PERSONAL,
19 THREATENING, DEROGATORY, DEMEANING OR OTHER ABUSIVE STATEMENTS
20 TOWARD THE BOARD, ANY MEMBER THEREOF, STAFF, OR ANY OTHER
21 PERSON. MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE SHOULD BE RESPECTFUL OF THE
22 VIEWS EXPRESSED BY SPEAKERS, STAFF AND BOARD MEMBERS AND MAY
23 NOT CLAP, CHEER, WHISTLE, OR OTHERWISE DISRUPT THE ORDERLY
24 CONDUCT OF THE MEETING. ANY PERSON ENGAGING IN CONDUCT THAT
25 DISRUPTS THE MEETING IS SUBJECT TO BEING REMOVED FROM THE

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1 BOARD MEETING. AND FINALLY, IF YOU WITNESS CONDUCT OR BEHAVIOR
2 BY OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT DISRUPTS YOUR ABILITY TO
3 REMAIN ENGAGED OR PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING, PLEASE NOTIFY
4 THE SERGEANT-AT- ARMS OR OTHER COUNTY STAFF. THANK YOU FOR
5 YOUR COOPERATION.

6

7 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** MADAME CHAIR, ON ITEM 11, I'D LIKE
8 TO ASK FOR RECONSIDERATION FOR A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC.

9

10 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, MOVED AND SECOND.
11 MOVING ON NOW TO ITEMS THAT WERE HELD BY THE PUBLIC. WE'D LIKE
12 TO CALL UP THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS THAT REQUESTED TO SPEAK
13 ON SOME ITEMS. DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL, ITEMS 19 AND 20. MR.
14 ERIC PREVEN, ITEMS 1-P, 6, 9, 11, 14, 15, 19, 20, 22, 23, 24,
15 30, 35 AND 38. MR. ARNOLD SACHS, ITEM 1-P, 14, 15, 16, 25, 26,
16 28 AND 38. MR. JOSEPH MAIZLISH, ITEM 6 AND 9. AND EUNISSES
17 HERNANDEZ, ITEM 9 AND MORGAN HUMPHREY, ITEM 9. GO AHEAD, SIR.

18

19 **ERIC PREVEN:** IT'S ERIC PREVEN FROM THE THIRD DISTRICT. THANK
20 YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS. I MUST SAY I AM HORRIFIED BY THE PIPING
21 IN OF THE HALL-OF-PRESIDENTS-LIKE MANTRA THAT I'VE ASKED
22 REPEATEDLY BE TAKEN DOWN BECAUSE IT IS INSULTING.

23

24 **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** YOU'RE OFF TOPIC, SIR. THAT'S NOT
25 PUBLIC COMMENT.

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1
2 **ERIC PREVEN:** I APPRECIATE THAT. THANK YOU. GETTING BACK TO
3 ITEM 18, WHICH IS SOME PREPLANNING AND COST ESTIMATING. I
4 WASN'T CLEAR IF THIS IS A.E.C.O.M. IT'S AN ENORMOUS AMOUNT OF
5 MONEY. I COULDN'T ACCESS THE AGENDA BECAUSE FOR THE LAST 12
6 HOURS, YOUR AGENDA, AND YOU CAN CHECK WITH THE TIMES, WAS NOT
7 FUNCTIONING PROPERLY. BUT I'LL DO MY BEST. ITEM NO. 1-D IS THE
8 GREAT SEAN ROGAN IS BRINGING FORWARD A JOB ORDER CONTRACT. AS
9 YOU KNOW, C.E.O. HAMAI HAS SYSTEMATICALLY IGNORED ALL REQUESTS
10 TO MAKE SENSE OF THIS STUFF. SO, IT'S A \$4.5 MILLION HE'LL
11 DECIDE. ANGELES WON THE BID AT 67 CENTS ON THE DOLLAR. THE
12 NEXT HIGHEST BIDDER, WHO HAD NO PRIVILEGED INFORMATION, IN THE
13 80S, 80 CENTS A DOLLAR KIND OF. SO WHEN I ASKED THEM ABOUT
14 THIS A COUPLE YEARS AGO WHEN ANOTHER COMPANY WON AT 49 CENTS
15 ON THE DOLLAR, HE SAID, "I DON'T CARE." SO IF YOU DON'T CARE,
16 WE DON'T CARE. LET'S JUST ROLL IT OUT AND YOU CAN USE IT ANY
17 WAY YOU WANT, LIKE SUPERVISOR KNABE DID WITH ALL THAT MONEY
18 PRIOR TO TODAY. TODAY AT 1-P, SUPERVISOR KNABE COULD NOT BE
19 CLEARER. THIS IS THE LEGACY PIECE. THIS IS \$7 MILLION OUT TO
20 ALL THE CITIES. IT IS SO DETAILED AND CLEAR THAT YOU COULD
21 ALMOST EMBRACE THE MAN. BUT THE PRECEDING FOUR MONTHS,
22 INCLUDING ITEM 36, WHEN HE PUSHED THROUGH THE JOB ORDER
23 CONTRACTS WITH ALL THE COUNTY GOLF IN THERE, THAT WAS NOT
24 COOL. THAT IS THE SAME POT OF MONEY. WE ARE VERY UPSET ABOUT
25 THAT. LET ME BE CLEAR ON THAT. OKAY. ITEM NO. 2, NOBODY LOVES

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1 BIOMED PHASING MORE THAN M.R.T. THIS IS TWICE THAT I'VE MISSED
2 HIM, SO I FEEL BAD ABOUT THAT. I'LL SAVE MY COMMENTS FOR WHEN
3 HE RETURNS. ITEM NO. 3, OF COURSE, I DO APPRECIATE. THIS IS
4 ADVANCING WAYS THAT FOLKS COULD GET OUT OF POVERTY. AND ONE
5 GREAT WAY, THANKS TO SUPERVISOR HAMAI AGAIN, ONCE AGAIN
6 GREASING THE WHEELS, IS PROVIDING A -- IT LOOKED LIKED A FIVE,
7 SIX-HUNDRED-DOLLAR-A-DAY UPGRADE FOR CIVIL SERVICE FOLKS AT
8 ITEM 12 TO UP TO, AND THIS IS NOT A JOKE, \$1,500 A DAY. SO
9 KUDOS. THAT IS AN EXCELLENT -- IF WE DO THE PERCENTAGE ON
10 THAT, WE WILL ALL HAVE TO FROG MARCH OURSELVES OUT. ITEM NO.
11 19 IS A SOLE-SOURCE JOB FOR RADIOLOGY. LAST TIME I HAD AN X-
12 RAY, I REMEMBERED THAT IT'S A COMPETITIVE ENVIRONMENT. THERE
13 ARE LOTS OF PROVIDERS STATEWIDE, NATIONWIDE WHO PROVIDE
14 RADIOLOGY STUFF. WHY ARE WE DOING THIS SOLE SOURCE FOR
15 MILLIONS OF DOLLARS? THAT IS AGAINST THE STATE LAW. DOES
16 ANYBODY ENFORCE ANYTHING AROUND HERE? PROBABLY NOT. I
17 UNDERSTAND THAT. ITEM NO. 6, SUPERVISOR KNABE WOULD LIKE TO
18 INCREASE PUNISHMENTS, FULL STOP. IT DOESN'T MATTER FOR WHAT.
19 THAT IS NOT ZEITGEISTY WITH AMERICA'S TAKE ON INCARCERATES,
20 ALL THAT STUFF. IT DOESN'T MATTER HOW HEINOUS. ALL OF THE
21 CRIMES ARE HEINOUS, AND THIS IS A PARTICULARLY HEINOUS ONE
22 HE'S IDENTIFIED, BUT THAT'S NOT HELPFUL. ITEM 9 IS SUPERVISOR
23 SOLIS WANTS EQUITABLE DISTRIBUTION OF WHATEVER SAVINGS CAN BE
24 HAD FROM PROP 47, AND THAT'S, OF COURSE, REASONABLE. ITEM NO.
25 11, AS I RACE FOR TIME HERE, IS ABOUT \$6,000 FOR THE CHAVEZ

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1 DAY COMMEMORATION ACROSS THE STREET IN PARKING. I WAS
2 MEDITATING ON HOW LONG IT WOULD HAVE TAKEN MR. CHAVEZ, A GREAT
3 HERO, TO EARN \$6,000 BACK IN THE DAY.

4

5 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NEXT WITNESS?

6

7 **JOSEPH MAIZLISH:** THANK YOU, CHAIR SOLIS, AND GOOD MORNING,
8 SUPERVISORS.

9

10 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING.

11

12 **JOSEPH MAIZLISH:** I'M SPEAKING ON NUMBER 6 AND NUMBER 9. NUMBER
13 6 IS SUPERVISOR KNABE'S MOTION FOR THE SUPPORT OF A.B.-1771. I
14 READ THAT, AND ACTUALLY MY OPINION ABOUT IT IS ONE YEAR FOR
15 SOME PEOPLE MAY BE TOO SHORT AND SIX MONTHS FOR OTHER PEOPLE
16 MAY BE TOO LONG. SO WE REALLY NEED TO DIG INTO THE SUBJECT OF
17 SENTENCING. A LOT OF THAT'S UP TO THE STATE, BUT THE BOARD CAN
18 HAVE A ROLE IN IT. HOW DO WE KNOW WHO'S WHO? THAT'S THE
19 QUESTION. AND FOR THAT, WE NEED SYSTEMS OF ASSESSMENT. AND I'D
20 LIKE TO READ TO YOU FOR ONE MINUTE SOMETHING FROM THE
21 TESTIMONY OF DR. TURNER, WHO IS DOING THE ASSESSMENT PROGRAM
22 FOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. THIS SHE SAID AT THE MARCH 2ND
23 MEETING. AND ON THE PAGE I'VE GIVEN YOU, THERE'S A LINK TO THE
24 TRANSCRIPT AND THE AUDIO, ACTUALLY, WHICH I RECORDED, BECAUSE
25 I KNEW IT WOULD BE IMPORTANT. SHE SAID, "THERE ARE MANY

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1 FACTORS THAT I WISH WE COULD HAVE TAKEN A LOOK AT WHEN WE DID
2 THIS STUDY. PARTICULARLY THE RESEARCH QUESTION I ALWAYS WANT
3 TO ANSWER IS, HOW DO WE MATCH THE PERSON'S RISK, THE SERVICES
4 THEY RECEIVE, AND THE COMMUNITY THEY GO HOME TO IN TERMS OF
5 RECIDIVISM? SOME OF THE ANALYSIS WE'RE DOING LATELY THAT WE'LL
6 TELL YOU IS THE COUNTY WHERE THEY'RE GOING HOME IS A
7 SIGNIFICANT FACTOR IN PREDICTING WHETHER OR NOT THEY'RE GOING
8 TO RECIDIVATE. AND WE TAKE A LOOK AT THEIR CENSUS TRACTS AND
9 THERE'S EVEN MORE INFORMATION." SO A LOT OF THE INFORMATION
10 ABOUT THESE OFFENDERS IS, AND THERE'S SOMETHING INDISTINCT,
11 BUT THAT'S WHY THIS ASSESSMENT CANNOT BE 100 PERCENT PERFECT,
12 BECAUSE A LOT OF WHAT HAPPENS IS THAT THERE ARE FACTORS ABOUT
13 THE PERSON AND WHAT THEY'VE DONE IN THE PAST, BUT THE PERSON
14 GOES BACK HOME AND THE ENVIRONMENT, THEY BRING A LOT OF THINGS
15 THAT ARE SHAPED BY THE ENVIRONMENT. BUT THEY GO HOME TO ZIP
16 CODES OR COMMUNITIES WHERE THERE'S DIFFERENT POLICING
17 PRACTICES, DIFFERENT EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES. SO THAT'S ONE
18 REASON WHY I WANT TO TALK WITH PEOPLE. AND SHE WANTED TO DO
19 MORE STUDY OF THOSE FACTORS. IF THOSE ARE NOT INCLUDED IN
20 WHAT'S DONE BY THE LEGAL SIDE OF IT, WE WON'T BE MAKING THE
21 PROGRESS THAT I'D LIKE US TO MAKE AND I KNOW YOU WOULD AND
22 ESPECIALLY SUPERVISOR KNABE. YOU'VE PROPOSED THIS ON SOME OF
23 THESE TERRIBLE OFFENSES. ON ITEM NO. 9, THIS IS SUPERVISOR
24 SOLIS'S MOVE FOR A LETTER TO THE GOVERNOR ABOUT THE
25 PROPOSITION 47 FUNDS. AND THE LESSON I TAKE FROM THIS IS THAT

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1 WE CANNOT COUNT ON REFORM TO FINANCE ITSELF, FOR A FEW
2 REASONS. WE NEED MORE REVENUE. ONE IS THE STARTUP COSTS OF
3 DOING THE REFORMS TAKE -- THEY'RE NEEDED RIGHT AWAY, NOT LATER
4 ON DOWN THE LINE WHEN SOME OF THE SAVINGS MAY BE REALIZED. AND
5 WE SEE THAT FROM PROPOSITION 47 HAVING BEEN IMMEDIATELY
6 IMPLEMENTED. BUT SERVICES FOR SOME OF THESE PEOPLE PERHAPS
7 RESULTING IN THE LACK OF SERVICES PERHAPS RESULTING IN REPEAT
8 OFFENSES, SERVICES WEREN'T THERE. SO THIS IS WHY WE NEED TO
9 THINK A LITTLE DEEPER ABOUT IT. EXPENSES AND THE PUBLIC AND
10 THE GOVERNMENT BUDGET MAY ACTUALLY HAVE A MULTIPLIER EFFECT
11 AND BE A BIG SAVINGS FOR SOCIETY AS A WHOLE.

12

13 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT WITNESS.

14

15 **MORGAN HUMPHREY:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS MORGAN HUMPHREY, AND
16 I'M A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DRUG POLICY ALLIANCE. I APPLAUD
17 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' RECOMMENDATIONS TO ADOPT GUIDELINES
18 THAT WILL DIRECT THE PROP 47 GRANT MONIES TO BE DISTRIBUTED TO
19 THE LOCAL AGENCIES THAT NEED THE MOST BASED ON POPULATION
20 DEMOGRAPHICS. GIVEN THAT, I URGE THE BOARD TO ENSURE THAT
21 THESE LOCAL AGENCIES INCLUDE COMMUNITY AND FAITH-BASED
22 ORGANIZATIONS, NOT JUST COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES. THERE
23 ARE ALREADY MANY ESTABLISHED, EFFECTIVE COMMUNITY AND FAITH-
24 BASED ORGANIZATIONS WORKING TO MINIMIZE RECIDIVISM THROUGH
25 REDUCING POVERTY AND HOMELESSNESS AND DIVERTING AT-RISK

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1 COMMUNITIES THE NECESSARY SERVICES AND TREATMENTS. THESE
2 ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS THE AMITY FOUNDATION AND A NEW WAY OF
3 LIFE, ARE ALREADY SUCCESSFULLY DOING THE WORK, AND THEY COULD
4 BENEFIT FROM MORE FUNDING TO EXPAND THEIR SERVICES. COMMUNITY
5 AND FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS WERE INTEGRAL IN IMPLEMENTING
6 PROP 47. THEY KNOW THE NEEDS OF THEIR COMMUNITIES THE BEST AND
7 ARE THE BEST SUITED TO ADDRESS THE VARIOUS ISSUES FACING THEIR
8 COMMUNITIES. IT WOULD BE DISHEARTENING IF THEY WERE LEFT OUT
9 OF THE SAVINGS THEY WORKED SO HARD TO GET. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
10 TIME AND FOR CONTINUING TO ENSURE THAT THE PROP 47 SAVINGS ARE
11 ALLOCATED TO THE COMMUNITIES THAT NEED THEM THE MOST.

12

13 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT WITNESS?

14

15 **EUNISSES HERNANDEZ:** HELLO, GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MADAME
16 CHAIR. MY NAME IS EUNISSES HERNANDEZ WITH DRUG POLICY
17 ALLIANCE. AND MY COLLEAGUE SAID IT VERY WELL, SO I'M NOT GOING
18 TO REPEAT WHAT SHE SAID. BUT WE AGREE WITH YOU THAT THE
19 D.O.F., THEIR ESTIMATE HAS BEEN INSUFFICIENT AND THAT THEY
20 SHOULD WORK WITH THE L.A.O.'S OFFICE TO MAXIMIZE THOSE
21 SAVINGS. WE SUPPORT DISTRIBUTING THOSE SAVINGS TO LOCALITIES
22 THAT NEED IT THE MOST BUT URGE THAT THE LOCAL AGENCIES YOU
23 MENTIONED INCLUDE COMMUNITY-BASED AND FAITH-BASED
24 ORGANIZATIONS AND THAT THOSE FUNDINGS GO TO FILL IN THE
25 CURRENT GAPS THAT EXIST WITHIN OUR SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES

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1 SYSTEMS. YESTERDAY I GAVE A PROP 47 PRESENTATION IN MEN'S
2 CENTRAL JAIL. AND, YOU KNOW, I ASKED SOME OF THESE FOLKS, LIKE
3 WHAT IS THE THING THAT YOU NEED THE MOST, OR WHAT ARE THE
4 SERVICES THAT YOU FEEL ARE LACKING? AND MOST OF THEM SAID THEY
5 HAD NOWHERE TO GO AFTER. AND WHEN WE ADDRESS THESE ISSUES AND
6 HELP PEOPLE OBTAIN SERVICES AND NOT RECIDIVATE, THE NUMBER-ONE
7 THING THAT HELPS THEM IS HOUSING. HOUSING FIRST REALLY HELPS
8 US ADDRESS THE UNDERLYING ISSUES THAT PEOPLE HAVE. SO I JUST
9 URGE YOU THAT WHEN WE GET THOSE FUNDINGS AND WHEN THE AUDITOR-
10 CONTROLLER LOCATES L.A. COUNTY'S FUNDINGS WITH SAVINGS IN PROP
11 47 THAT WE ALSO ALLOCATE THAT TO SERVICE AND HOUSING. THANK
12 YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.

13

14 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT WITNESS.

15

16 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING.

17

18 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING.

19

20 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I WILL SPEAK
21 ON 19 AND 20. 19, YOU KNOW, IT'S KIND OF PUZZLING THAT WE ARE
22 IN 2016 AND WE ARE BUYING UNDER A SOLE-SOURCE CONTRACT X-RAY
23 EQUIPMENT. IT'S UNBELIEVABLE. YOU KNOW, I REMIND YOU VERY
24 OFTEN THAT WE'RE A COUNTY OF 10 MILLION PEOPLE. BUT ALSO WE'RE
25 IN THE AGE OF TECHNOLOGY. IT IS NOT EVERY DAY THERE IS NEW

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1 TECHNOLOGY ESPECIALLY IN X-RAY COME OUT. WHEN YOU GO IN ONE OF
2 THE CONFERENCES ON X-RAY, THERE IS THOUSANDS AND THOUSANDS OF
3 X-RAY COMPANIES. HOW CAN YOU IN GOOD FAITH, AS USUAL, APPROVE
4 A SOLE VENDOR? IT'S BEYOND MY UNDERSTANDING, EXCEPT SOMEBODY
5 SOMEWHERE IS GETTING KICKBACKS. THAT'S THE ONLY WAY I CAN
6 RATIONALIZE IT. I MEAN, THAT'S -- AND WE'RE TALKING ABOUT \$4
7 MILLION. WE'RE NOT TALKING \$100,000. WE'RE TALKING ABOUT \$4
8 MILLION ON A SOLE-VENDOR CONTRACT WHERE THE TECHNOLOGY
9 IMPROVES EVERY DAY. THAT'S ASININE. ON ITEM 20, ALSO WE ARE
10 BEING A GROUP, KINDER CARE, WHO IS APPROVED FOR THREE YEARS
11 WITH TWO ONE-YEAR EXTENSION. WHY NOT ASSESS AFTER THREE YEARS?
12 HOW IS IT PERFORMED? AND THEN EXTEND IT. YOU KNOW, IF THERE IS
13 NO EXPLANATION ABOUT THE PAST PERFORMANCE AND SO ON, THAT'S A
14 GOING CONCERN. AND ALSO, I KNOW WE ARE DOING IT ALMOST EVERY
15 WEEK, WHERE AN ITEM ON THE AGENDA WOULD GET CONTINUED. THIS
16 WEEK WE HAD 2, 18 AND 21. IT IS ILLEGAL AFTER IT IS ON THE
17 AGENDA FOR YOU TO DECIDE TO CONTINUE IT. YOU KNOW, YOU HAVE
18 BEEN TOLD THAT REPEATEDLY AND REPEATEDLY AGAIN. THAT'S A
19 VIOLATION OF THE BROWN ACT. INDIVIDUALS HAVE THE RIGHT TO COME
20 AND SPEAK TO THOSE ITEMS. I JUST WANT TO REMIND IT TO YOU, SO
21 YOU KEEP IN TOUCH. THANK YOU.

22

23 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT WITNESS.

24

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1 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING. ARNOLD SACHS. AND
2 YOUR PROCEDURAL GUIDE, I TALK ABOUT 1-P, PROCEDURAL GUIDE, BUT
3 YOUR PROCEDURAL GUIDE THAT YOU JUST READ INTO THE AGENDA
4 REGARDING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA, PROP 47 ISN'T ON THE AGENDA.
5 NOWHERE ON THE AGENDA. AND ALTHOUGH I APPRECIATE THE PUBLIC
6 COMMENT THAT THE LADIES MADE, IT WAS PUBLIC COMMENT. YET THEY
7 WEREN'T ACCUSED OF BEING OFF-TOPIC. WHY NOT? WHERE WAS THE
8 COUNTY COUNSEL ON THAT? S,O PROCEDURAL GUIDES.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE:** IT WAS ON THE AGENDA. IT WAS ON THE AGENDA.

11

12 **ARNOLD SACHS:** PROP 47 IS NOT ON THE AGENDA. IT'S NOT ON THE
13 AGENDA. IT IS PART OF A MOTION. IT IS NOT ON THE AGENDA.

14

15 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** ITEM NO. 9.

16

17 **ARNOLD SACHS:** PROCEDURAL GUIDE. CITY'S EXCESS FUNDS, PER
18 PARCEL FUNDS, AND SPECIFIED FUNDS FOR THE PARK AND HOW YOU USE
19 UTILITY USER TAX FUNDS. WHAT IS THE PROCEDURAL GUIDE? YOU
20 KNOW, YOU'RE RUNNING OUT OF MONEY FOR THE PARKS PROPOSITION OF
21 1996. HOW DO THESE PER-PARCEL FUNDS BECOME CITY EXCESS FUNDS
22 AND SPECIFIED FUNDS? ITEMS 15 AND 16, I KNOW YOU'VE HAD
23 NUMEROUS ITEMS ON YOUR AGENDA REGARDING EXCESS COUNTY
24 PROPERTIES. AND HERE YOU'RE SPENDING \$2 MILLION PER YEAR OVER
25 THE NEXT FIVE YEARS FOR TWO PROPERTIES FOR TWO DEPARTMENTS.

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1 WHY DON'T YOU LOOK INTO COUNTY EXCESS PROPERTIES? ITEM 26
2 REFERS TO TWO PROJECTS. AND THE PROJECT I.D. MENTIONS AVIATION
3 BOULEVARD TO OCEAN DRIVE AND INCLUDES SIGNAL SEQUENCIZATION IN
4 HERMOSA, MANHATTAN BEACH, AND REDONDO BEACH. YET NONE OF THOSE
5 THREE CITIES ARE PART OF THE AVIATION BOULEVARD TO OCEAN DRIVE
6 AREA. HOW COULD THAT BE? ITEM 27 REFERS TO COUNTY AIRPORTS.
7 COMPLYING WITH THE LIVING WAGE. BUT NOT WITH THE MINIMUM WAGE.
8 SO, WHAT GIVES THERE? ITEM 38 REFERS TO THE TABLE OF CLASSES
9 OF POSITIONS. BACK WHEN SUPERVISOR MOLINA WAS HERE, WE HAD A
10 LITTLE INTRODUCTION INTO THAT ABOUT MEASURE, THE R LEVELS, HOW
11 R-13 TO R-15 WAS LIKE A \$10,000 PAY RAISE. AND SO I'M LOOKING
12 AT THIS TABLE OF CLASSES, AND THERE ARE NO R LEVELS HERE. SO
13 HOW MANY CLASSES ARE THERE? BECAUSE WE HEAR SO OFTEN HOW A AND
14 B, HOW FINANCIALLY RESPONSIBLE YOU ARE, AND HOW YOU'RE ALWAYS
15 SHORT OF MONEY. YET YOU ALWAYS HAVE MONEY TO CHANGE THESE
16 CLASSIFICATIONS, WHICH ARE NOT PAY RAISES; THEY'RE SALARY
17 INCREASES.

18

19 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, MEMBERS.

20

21 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** MADAME CHAIR, THE FOLLOWING ITEMS
22 ARE BEFORE YOU, ITEMS 1-P, 9, 11, 14, 15, 16, 19, 20, 22, 23,
23 24, 25, 26, 28, 30, 35, 38, AND ON NO. 6, SUPERVISOR SOLIS IS
24 RECORDED AS ABSTAIN.

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1 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** ON THOSE ITEMS, THEY HAVE BEEN MOVED BY
2 SUPERVISOR KUEHL. SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SUCH WILL BE
3 THE ORDER. MEMBERS, WE'RE GOING TO MOVE TO ITEM R-4,
4 PRESENTATION BY OUR C.E.O., SACHI HAMAI, AND JOHN NAIMO, THE
5 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER. AND THIS IS ON THE COUNTY'S DEBT AS
6 REQUESTED AT THE MARCH 8TH MEETING.

7

8 **C.E.O. SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE
9 BOARD. ON MARCH 8, 2016, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS INSTRUCTED
10 THE C.E.O. TO REPORT BACK TODAY ON THE COUNTY'S DEBT AND TO
11 INCLUDE IN THE RECOMMENDED BUDGET THE IMPACT OF DEBT ON THE
12 COUNTY'S FINANCIAL VIABILITY. JOINING ME TO PRESENT THIS
13 REPORT IS JOHN NAIMO, OUR COUNTY AUDITOR-CONTROLLER, WHO
14 PREPARES THE COUNTY'S COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT,
15 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE C.A.F.R., AND IS ALSO REFERRED TO AS
16 OUR FINANCIAL STATEMENTS. A RECENT REPORT BY THE CALIFORNIA
17 POLITICAL REVIEW INDICATED THAT LOS ANGELES COUNTY ALONG WITH
18 OTHER LARGE COUNTIES IN THE STATE HAS INCREASED THEIR DEBT.
19 SPECIFICALLY IT WAS REPORTED THAT THE COUNTY DEBT WENT FROM AN
20 \$8.2 BILLION DEFICIT IN FISCAL YEAR 2013/14 TO A \$16.8 BILLION
21 NET DEFICIT IN FISCAL YEAR 2014/ 15. FIRST, I'M GOING TO ASK
22 JOHN NAIMO TO DISCUSS THE CHANGES IN OUR C.A.F.R. REPORT.

23

24 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. THANK YOU.

25

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1 **JOHN NAIMO:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. JOHN NAIMO, AUDITOR-
2 CONTROLLER. THE GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTING RULES ARE CHANGING FOR
3 BOTH PENSION AND RETIREMENT HEALTH BENEFITS. FOR MANY YEARS,
4 THESE LIABILITIES HAVE BEEN MEASURED AND DISCLOSED IN FOOTNOTE
5 SECTIONS OF THE COUNTY'S FINANCIAL STATEMENT. FOR THE COUNTY'S
6 MOST RECENT FINANCIAL STATEMENT ISSUED IN 2015, UNFUNDED
7 PENSION LIABILITIES WERE REQUIRED FOR THE FIRST TIME TO BE
8 PLACED ON THE COUNTY'S BALANCE SHEET. THIS REQUIREMENT ADDED
9 \$7 BILLION OF NEW LIABILITIES TO THE BALANCE SHEET. THE
10 COUNTY'S 2015 BALANCE SHEET DEFICIT TOTAL WAS APPROXIMATELY
11 \$20 BILLION. THE AMOUNT CITED IN THE REPORT MENTIONED BY SACHI
12 OF A \$16.8 BILLION DEFICIT WAS ACTUALLY INCOMPLETE. IT DID NOT
13 INCLUDE THE COUNTY'S HOSPITAL FUNDS. AND THE MAJOR COMPONENTS
14 OF THE \$20 BILLION DEFICIT INCLUDE THE \$7 BILLION I MENTIONED
15 FOR PENSIONS ALONG WITH \$11 BILLION FOR RETIREMENT HEALTHCARE
16 AND ANOTHER \$2 BILLION FOR WORKERS' COMPENSATION. IN 2018, A
17 NEW ACCOUNTING RULE REQUIRED THE RECOGNITION OF THE FULL
18 AMOUNT OF RETIREMENT HEALTHCARE ON THE COUNTY'S BALANCE SHEET.
19 RIGHT NOW, THESE LIABILITIES ARE BEING PHASED IN, AND ONLY \$11
20 BILLION OF THE \$27 BILLION OF UNFUNDED RETIREMENT HEALTHCARE
21 LIABILITIES IS ON THE BALANCE SHEET. 2018, THE ENTIRE AMOUNT
22 WILL BE PLACED ON THE BALANCE SHEET. THIS WILL ADD TO THE
23 CURRENT DEFICIT AMOUNT UNTIL COUNTY FUNDING IS ACCELERATED TO
24 PAY DOWN THESE LIABILITIES. THE UNFUNDED LIABILITIES I'VE
25 DESCRIBED ARE FOR PAST SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE COUNTY'S

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1 WORKFORCE. THESE LIABILITIES HAVE BEEN MEASURED FOR MANY
2 YEARS. THEY'VE BEEN DISCLOSED IN PAST FINANCIAL STATEMENTS,
3 PUBLIC OFFERING DOCUMENTS, AND PRESENTATIONS TO THE RATING
4 AGENCIES. THE ACTUARIAL ASSUMPTIONS AND ACTUAL RESULTS ARE
5 CRITICAL FACTORS THAT CHANGE THE ESTIMATED LIABILITIES OVER
6 PERIODS OF TIME. NOW I WILL TURN IT BACK TO SACHI TO DISCUSS
7 THE ACTIONS THE COUNTY HAS TAKEN TO ADDRESS THESE UNFUNDED
8 LIABILITIES.

9

10 **C.E.O. SACHI HAMAI:** SO, OVER THE YEARS, YOUR BOARD HAS TAKEN
11 SEVERAL CRITICAL STEPS TO ADDRESS THESE LIABILITIES. SO, THERE
12 ARE THREE MAJOR CATEGORIES. ONE IS THE PENSION LIABILITY. THE
13 SECOND IS THE RETIREE HEALTH BENEFITS, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS
14 OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS, OFTEN TERMED AS O.P.E.B. AND
15 THE LAST IS OUR WORKERS' COMPENSATION. SO LET ME JUST START
16 WITH THE PENSION. FOR PENSIONS, THE COUNTY HAS A LONG RECORD
17 OF MAKING PAYMENTS TO L.A.C.E.R.A. IN ACCORDANCE WITH AMOUNTS
18 RECOMMENDED BY THE ACTUARY AND THE L.A.C.E.R.A. BOARD OF
19 INVESTMENTS. UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF THIS BOARD, THE COUNTY
20 INSTITUTED PENSION REFORMS IN THE LATE 1970S, SIMILAR TO THOSE
21 THAT THE STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS MORE RECENTLY ENACTED. IN
22 THE EARLY 2000S, GOVERNMENT AGENCIES ACROSS THE STATE BEGAN
23 ENHANCING RETIREMENT BENEFITS AS A RESULT OF CHANGES IN
24 RETIREMENT LAWS. HOWEVER, YOUR BOARD HELD FIRM AND RESISTED
25 PENSION INCREASES. ALL OF THESE ACTIONS HAVE HELPED RESTRAIN

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1 THE COUNTY'S PENSION OBLIGATIONS. AS OF JUNE 30, 2015, THE
2 COUNTY'S PENSION FUND WAS 83.3 PERCENT FUNDED, AND WE ARE
3 ADHERING TO L.A.C.E.R.A.'S FUNDING POLICY BY MAKING ADDITIONAL
4 CONTRIBUTIONS EACH MONTH TO HELP REDUCE THE UNFUNDED LIABILITY
5 IN THE PENSION FUND. FOR O.P.E.B., AGAIN, THAT WOULD BE
6 CONSIDERED THE RETIREE HEALTH BENEFITS, THE BOARD HAS TAKEN A
7 NUMBER OF SIGNIFICANT STEPS TO REDUCE THE UNFUNDED LIABILITY.
8 IN MAY 2012, THE COUNTY ESTABLISHED AN O.P.E.B. TRUST FUND TO
9 SERVE AS A VEHICLE FOR HOLDING AND INVESTING ASSETS TO PRE-
10 FUND THE RETIREMENT HEALTHCARE PROGRAM. AS OF THE END OF
11 FEBRUARY, THE O.P.E.B. TRUST FUND HAD A BALANCE OF
12 APPROXIMATELY A HALF BILLION DOLLARS. IN JULY 2014, THE COUNTY
13 ESTABLISHED A NEW LOWER-TIERED RETIREE HEALTH INSURANCE
14 PROGRAM FOR NEW COUNTY EMPLOYEES WHO ARE ELIGIBLE FOR
15 L.A.C.E.R.A. MEMBERSHIP. THIS IS EXPECTED TO SAVE THE COUNTY
16 \$840 MILLION OVER THE NEXT 30 YEARS. IN JUNE 2015, THE COUNTY
17 ADOPTED A MULTI-YEAR PLAN THAT REQUIRES THE COUNTY TO MAKE
18 ANNUAL REQUIRED CONTRIBUTION PAYMENTS TO PRE-FUND O.P.E.B. SO
19 THESE ACTIONS HAVE BEEN VIEWED FAVORABLY BY THE THREE MAJOR
20 CREDIT AGENCIES. AND AS A RESULT, THE COUNTY HAS HAD THREE
21 RATING UPGRADES SINCE DECEMBER 2013, INCLUDING THE MOST RECENT
22 WITH FITCH UPGRADING THE COUNTY FROM A.A.-MINUS TO A.A.
23 EARLIER THIS MONTH. THE LAST CATEGORY IS WORKERS'
24 COMPENSATION. THE COUNTY'S RISK MANAGER IS UNDERTAKING A
25 NUMBER OF INITIATIVES TO HELP REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF THE

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1 UNFUNDED LIABILITY, WHICH INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING INITIATIVES,
2 ALL OF WHICH ARE BEING FUNDED WITHIN THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION
3 BUDGET AND WITHOUT ADDITIONAL RESOURCES. SO THE FIRST IS
4 SETTling CLAIMS VALUED OF \$100,000. SECOND IS PURCHASING
5 EXCESS WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE TO CAP INCIDENTS AT \$10
6 MILLION. THE THIRD IS TRANSFERRING COMPLETE LIABILITY OF OLDER
7 WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMS TO A THIRD-PARTY THROUGH AN
8 INSURANCE MECHANISM CALLED LOSS-PORTFOLIO TRANSFER. AND THE
9 LAST IS PROVIDING COUNTY DEPARTMENTS WITH TRAINING IN ORDER TO
10 LOWER THE NUMBER OF OVERALL CLAIMS. AND OVER THE LAST FEW
11 YEARS, IT'S BEEN REDUCED BY ABOUT 3.5 PERCENT. SO THAT
12 CONCLUDES OUR REPORT, AND WE WOULD BE HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY
13 QUESTIONS BY YOUR BOARD.

14

15 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SACHI, I KNOW THAT THERE'S BEEN A
16 TREMENDOUS EFFORT ON YOUR PART TO HELP US BRING THAT RATING
17 SYSTEM UP. AND I'M VERY PLEASED, BECAUSE I KNOW THAT'S
18 PROBABLY THE REPORT THAT SOMETIMES DOESN'T GET ENOUGH CREDIT
19 TO SHOW JUST AN INCREMENT HOW FAR THAT CAN GO FOR THE COUNTY.
20 AND I REALIZE THAT THIS IS A NEW BOOKKEEPING, SO TO SPEAK,
21 PROCEDURE WHERE WE NOW HAVE TO PUT MOST OF OUR LIABILITIES UP
22 FRONT. BUT IT'S NOT AS THOUGH THE COUNTY WAS SOMEHOW
23 CIRCUMVENTING OUR RESPONSIBILITY FROM PLANNING FOR THIS AND
24 HOW TO REDUCE IT BUT ALSO PUBLICIZING IT. MY UNDERSTANDING IS
25 THESE BITS OF INFORMATION HAVE BEEN MADE AVAILABLE OVER THE

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1 PAST FEW YEARS. BUT NOW WE'RE REQUIRED BY LAW TO ACTUALLY PUT
2 THOSE IN A MANNER THAT IS REALISTIC AND TRANSPARENT. SO I JUST
3 WANT TO APPLAUD THE WORK THAT YOU HAVE DONE SO FAR. OUR
4 AUDITOR, I KNOW I'VE BEEN HERE NOW FOR AT LEAST TWO REPORTS
5 WHERE YOU'VE COME BACK AND TOLD US FROM YOUR MEETINGS BACK IN
6 NEW YORK THAT A TREMENDOUS EFFORT HAS GONE INTO THIS
7 IMPROVEMENT. SO I KNOW THIS IS HARD. I KNOW WE STILL HAVE OUR
8 LIABILITIES MOVING FORWARD. AND I HOPE THAT WE CAN INCREASE
9 SOME OF THE GOOD WORK THAT YOU'VE ALREADY STARTED, PART OF
10 WHICH I KNOW WILL BE TRAINING FOR OUR STAFF AND WORKERS' COMP
11 AND ALSO MAKING WISE INVESTMENTS AS WE SEE OUR ECONOMY
12 IMPROVING. SO I JUST WANT TO THANK YOU. I KNOW SUPERVISOR
13 ANTONOVICH HAD QUESTIONS.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE FACT THAT THE LIABILITY IS A RESULT, THIS
16 INCREASE WAS A CHANGE IN THE REPORTING BY THE STATE?

17

18 **JOHN NAIMO:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, THE REPORTING CHANGES ARE
19 PROMULGATED BY AN ORGANIZATION CALLED THE GOVERNMENT
20 ACCOUNTING STANDARDS BOARD. THAT'S WHAT WE HAVE TO FOLLOW TO
21 GET OUR AUDIT CERTIFIED BY THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR. AND THAT'S
22 WHERE THE CHANGE IS COMING FROM. AND THAT CHANGE ESSENTIALLY
23 TOOK LIABILITIES THAT WERE FORMERLY DISCLOSED ONLY IN THE
24 FOOTNOTES AND PUT THEM ON THE FACE OF THE BALANCE SHEET.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

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3 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

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5 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** YEAH, I WANTED TO FULLY UNDERSTAND. WE'VE
6 ALWAYS BEEN REPORTING THE UNFUNDED LIABILITY FOR THE PENSION
7 BENEFITS, AS YOU INDICATED, MR. NAIMO, IN A FOOTNOTE. AND NOW
8 WE'RE REQUIRED TO REPORT THEM IN THE BODY OF IT. IT APPEARS TO
9 PEOPLE THAT THE LIABILITY HAS JUMPED. BUT IT HAS NOT. SIMPLY
10 IT WAS THERE AND IT'S REPORTED IN A DIFFERENT PLACE. FOR THE
11 EMPLOYEE HEALTH PIECE OF IT, WE STILL ARE NOT FULLY REPORTING
12 OR REQUIRED TO REPORT IN THE BODY THE UNFUNDED LIABILITY. BUT
13 IS IT REPORTED ALREADY IN A FOOTNOTE?

14

15 **JOHN NAIMO:** YES, SUPERVISOR. THE RETIREMENT HEALTHCARE
16 LIABILITIES ARE FULLY DISCLOSED IN THE FOOTNOTE. AND THEY
17 REPRESENTED ABOUT \$27 BILLION AT JUNE 30, 2015. OF THAT \$27
18 BILLION, WE HAVE PHASED IN \$11 BILLION ON THE BALANCE SHEET.
19 THE FULL AMOUNT WILL BE REQUIRED TO BE PUT ON THE BALANCE
20 SHEET IN 2018.

21

22 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** AND IF I UNDERSTOOD CORRECTLY, MS. HAMAI,
23 WHEN OUR CREDIT RATING WAS RECENTLY ELEVATED, AND GOOD WORK TO
24 BOTH OF YOU FOR THAT, ONE OF THE REASONS WAS OUR STEADY

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1 CONTRIBUTION TO THE EMPLOYEE HEALTHCARE LIABILITY GAP, IS THAT
2 CORRECT?

3

4 **C.E.O. SACHI HAMAI:** CORRECT.

5

6 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** SO SOMEBODY'S PLEASED THAT WE'RE DOING
7 THAT, BUT IT WILL PROBABLY APPEAR IN 2018 THAT THE LIABILITY
8 HAS JUMPED AGAIN, BECAUSE IT WILL GO FROM OUR FOOTNOTE AREA
9 INTO THE BODY OF IT. THE CHANGE FROM LISTING THESE IN A
10 FOOTNOTE TO LISTING IT IN THE BODY DOES NOT IN ANY WAY
11 INCREASE ANY OF OUR LIABILITY. IT'S SIMPLY REPORTING IT IN A
12 DIFFERENT PART OF THE REPORT, IS THAT CORRECT?

13

14 **JOHN NAIMO:** THAT'S CORRECT, SUPERVISOR.

15

16 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR.

17

18 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE DO HAVE SOME
19 PUBLIC WITNESSES THAT WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM. ARNOLD
20 SACHS. ERIC PREVEN.

21

22 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING. ARNOLD SACHS.
23 FASCINATING, THESE ITEMS DISCLOSED IN FOOTNOTES, NOW THEY HAVE
24 TO BE ON THE BALANCE SHEET. SO THE DISCUSSION STARTED ABOUT \$8
25 BILLION TO \$16.8 BILLION DEFICIT, DEBT. AND THEN IT WAS

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1 MENTIONED \$20 BILLION DEFICIT, DEBT, BROKEN DOWN PENSION,
2 HEALTHCARE AND WORKERS' COMP, 7, 11, AND 2, IS \$20 BILLION.
3 BUT THEN THE GENTLEMAN MENTIONED \$27 BILLION LIABILITY, \$11
4 BILLION OF THAT \$27 BILLION NOW IS ON THE CHARTS OR WHATEVER.
5 BUT THERE WAS NO BREAKDOWN FOR THAT \$27 BILLION. SO HOW AND
6 WHERE ARE YOU? AT \$27 BILLION IN LIABILITY, HOW DOES THAT
7 BALANCE OUT WITH THIS FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY THAT WE HEAR SO
8 MUCH ABOUT THE COUNTY? AND IF YOU HAVE A \$27 BILLION
9 LIABILITY, HOW DO YOU EXPECT TO FUND THESE PROGRAMS LIKE THE
10 HOMELESS PROGRAM THAT YOU APPROVED BUT YOU DON'T HAVE FUNDING
11 FOR? AND THE OTHER, THE PROGRAMS THAT YOU GET, I MEAN, I KNOW
12 YOU GET GRANTS FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND THE STATE, BUT
13 THEY'RE NOT USED FOR ANY OF THIS LIABILITY. AND WHERE DID IT
14 GO? AND FROM, I GUESS IT WAS 2008, YOU USED TO HAVE AN ITEM ON
15 YOUR AGENDA, A-5 OR A-10, A-6, REGARDING THE COUNTY'S DEBT.
16 AND LAST YEAR WHEN SACHI WENT TO NEW YORK, ALL OF A SUDDEN THE
17 ITEM DISAPPEARED, BECAUSE SACHI CAME UP WITH A PLAN TO PAY OFF
18 THIS LIABILITY. WHAT'S THE PLAN? WE DIDN'T FIND THAT OUT.
19 RIGHT? NOBODY DISCUSSED IT. JUST SAID, WELL, IT MUST BE IN THE
20 FOOTNOTES. MAYBE IT'S IN THE FOOTNOTES. IS THERE A FOOTNOTE TO
21 THE FOOTNOTES THAT WE COULD CHECK THIS ON? YOU DON'T HAVE A
22 REPORT HERE. IT WOULD BE NICE TO BE ABLE TO SEE HOW THIS MAGIC
23 IS DONE. I MEAN, I APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT YOU'RE SO FISCALLY
24 RESPONSIBLE.
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1 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** TIME EXPIRED.

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3 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, I KNOW, MA'AM.

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5 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** ERIC PREVEN.

6

7 **ERIC PREVEN:** YEAH, IT'S ERIC PREVEN FROM THE THIRD DISTRICT ON
8 ITEM R-4, WHICH IS THE REPORT BY THE C.E.O. ON THE COUNTY
9 DEBT. NOW, THAT REPORT WAS INTERESTING, OBVIOUSLY. IT IS
10 UNFORTUNATE THAT THERE WAS NOT A REPORT TO READ. THEY DO NOT
11 HAVE ANYTHING AT THE RAIL. THERE WAS NOTHING ON THE LINE. HOW,
12 I MEAN, IT'S A VERY NICE PRESENTATION, BY THE WAY. I DO
13 APPRECIATE IT. BUT THAT DOES NOT MEET -- THAT TO ME DOES NOT
14 MEET A STANDARD. I MEAN, HOW ARE WE SUPPOSED TO DIGEST IT IN
15 REALTIME? AND OMITTED CURIOUSLY FROM THAT REPORT WAS WHAT MOST
16 RESIDENTS ARE DEEPLY CONCERNED ABOUT, WHICH IS THIS IDEA OF
17 TAKING ON ADDITIONAL DEBT, A BOND OF SOME KIND, TO PROPOSE AND
18 BUILD, UNDER THE AUSPICES OF A.E.C.O.M. AND ALL THOSE
19 DEVELOPERS WHO WE'VE BEEN POINTING OUT, A GIANT JAIL. NOW,
20 THAT, OF COURSE, IS NOT SOMETHING THAT WE HAVE BORROWED YET. I
21 ANTICIPATE YOU'RE PROBABLY ON YOUR WAY THERE NOW TO TALK ABOUT
22 THAT STUFF IN NEW YORK. BUT THIS IS A COMPLETE BLINDSIDE FOR
23 THE PUBLIC OF WHAT IS OBVIOUSLY THE LARGEST SINGLE DEBT WE'LL
24 EVER TAKE ON. SO TO LEAVE THAT OUT AND NOT EVEN WRITE A
25 REPORT, YOU KNOW, I DID LIKE THE TOUCH OF WEARING MR.

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1 FUJIOKA'S GLASSES. THAT WAS QUITE CHARMING. AND I DO LIKE
2 ALWAYS HEARING ABOUT THE MULTIPLE UPGRADES OF OUR DEBT RATING,
3 BECAUSE ESPECIALLY WHEN WE HAVE A CORONER WHO IS GRIEVING IN
4 PUBLIC AND QUITTING THAT HE CAN'T MANAGE TO GET THE DEAD
5 BODIES OUT OF HIS STACK, IT'S NICE TO KNOW THAT WE ARE -- OH,
6 YOU DIDN'T READ THAT ARTICLE, SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

7

8 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** STAY ON MESSAGE, PLEASE.

9

10 **ERIC PREVEN:** I AM ON MESSAGE. THIS IS A WE ARE DOING GREAT,
11 ALL THE LIABILITIES OF THE EMPLOYEES ARE SQUARED AWAY, NOTHING
12 WRITTEN DOWN ABOUT IT FOR YOU TO READ. AND DON'T WORRY ABOUT
13 THE CORONER. WE'LL THROW IT ON THE PILE WITH SOME OF THE OTHER
14 AGENCIES THAT IN FACT THERE'S NOTHING TO CROW ABOUT YOUR DEBT
15 RATING WHEN THESE UNMET NEEDS ARE FRONT AND CENTER. SO, IT'S
16 NOT PERSONAL. YOU'RE ALL DOING THE BEST YOU CAN, BUT IT'S NOT
17 GOOD ENOUGH, AND I DO APPRECIATE YOUR TIME. THANK YOU.

18

19 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE HAVE TWO OTHER WITNESSES, JOSEPH
20 MAIZLISH AND ALSO DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL.

21

22 **JOSEPH MAIZLISH:** THANK YOU, JOSEPH MAIZLISH. AND THANK YOU
23 AGAIN. THIS SUBJECT OF DEBT CAUSES ME -- PROVOKES ME TO THINK
24 ABOUT, WHAT IS DEBT BEING INCURRED FOR? FIRST OF ALL, IT'S
25 VERY GOOD TO SEE THE ADDITIONAL LEVEL OF RECOGNITION GIVEN TO

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1 YOUR DEBT TO THE COUNTY EMPLOYEES. THAT'S OFTEN, YOU KNOW, IN
2 SOME JURISDICTIONS BEING OVERRUN NOW FOR CLAIMED AND MAYBE
3 REAL EMERGENCIES, PENSION DEBT AND SO FORTH. SO I'M GLAD TO
4 SEE THAT RECOGNIZED. THE QUESTIONS, OF COURSE, ABOUT DEBT AND
5 INCURRING NEW DEBT ARE -- IS IT JUSTIFIED? ARE THE REVENUES
6 BEING PROVIDED FOR THAT WILL MAKE THE DEBT PAYMENTS? TYPICALLY
7 THESE ARE FOR BUILDING BUILDINGS. IF YOU DON'T HAVE ANYTHING
8 ELSE IN YOUR BUDGET OR ENOUGH ELSE IN YOUR BUDGET, HAVING THE
9 BUILDINGS DOESN'T MAKE MUCH SENSE. SO WE NEED TO PROVIDE FOR
10 SERVICES, TOO. THE LAST TIME THIS QUESTION CAME UP, SUPERVISOR
11 ANTONOVICH, ON JUNE 9TH, ASKED SOMEBODY DURING THE DISCUSSION,
12 ONE OF THE DISCUSSIONS OF THE JAIL PLAN, WHAT'S THE COUNTY'S
13 SITUATION, BECAUSE THE PLAN MAY BE TO FUND WHATEVER IS FUNDED
14 BY BORROWING. MAYBE I'VE MENTIONED BEFORE THAT I DO FAVOR THE
15 BEST JAIL FACILITIES. BUT WHEN WE KNOW WHAT WE'RE DOING, WHEN
16 WE ACTUALLY HAVE GOOD ASSESSMENT PROGRAMS AND STRONG
17 COMMUNITIES AND A SYSTEM REALLY IN PLACE SO THAT WE KNOW THAT
18 WE'RE SPENDING APPROPRIATELY. BUT IF THERE ARE NOT CAREFUL
19 CONSIDERATIONS OF ANY NEW UNDERTAKINGS AND PROVISION FOR THEIR
20 SUPPORT WITHOUT HARM TO SOME OF THE VERY PROGRAMS THAT IN THE
21 CASE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE WILL HELP REDUCE THE NEED FOR
22 FACILITIES, THEN WE'RE NOT DOING OURSELVES A FAVOR. BUT I'M
23 VERY GLAD THAT THIS IS BEING BROUGHT UP MORE TO CONSCIOUSNESS.
24 I THANK SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND THE REST OF YOU FOR DEALING
25 WITH THIS AND OF COURSE FOR YOUR STAFF. THANK YOU.

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2 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. DR. CLAVREUL.

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4 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

5 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. YOU KNOW, IT'S SAD TO HAVE A KIND OF A
6 FINANCIAL REPORT AND NOT HAVE A REPORT TO LOOK AT, YOU KNOW.

7 IT WAS NOT POSTED. AND YOU WENT THIS MORNING, EVEN FIVE

8 MINUTES AGO, WE DO NOT HAVE A COPY OF THE REPORT. YOU KNOW,

9 IT'S UNBELIEVABLE THAT WE CANNOT LOOK AT A REPORT AND STUDY

10 IT, ANALYZE IT, AND SO ON. THAT'S VERY UNFAIR. AND CONTRARY TO

11 WHAT, YOU KNOW, EVERY WEEK WE HEAR, "OH, WE ARE DOING

12 WONDERFUL. EVERYTHING IS WONDERFUL." THINGS ARE NOT WONDERFUL.

13 AND THERE'S NOTHING WRONG WITH THAT. BUT IF YOU KNOW WHAT'S

14 NOT GOING RIGHT, YOU GOT TO MAKE CORRECTIONS. NOT TO KNOW, NOT

15 TO HAVE THE DOCUMENT IS ACTUALLY VERY DETRIMENTAL TO

16 EVERYBODY, BECAUSE WE CANNOT LOOK AT IT. THE PUBLIC DOESN'T

17 HAVE THE RIGHT TO ANALYZE IT. AND SOME OF THE PUBLIC ARE

18 REALLY KNOWLEDGEABLE ABOUT BUDGETS. NOT ME. I'M NOT CLAIMING

19 THAT AT ALL. BUT I KNOW THAT IF I DON'T HAVE THE DOCUMENT, I

20 CANNOT MAKE ANY JUDGMENT, EVEN WITH MY LIMITED KNOWLEDGE. AND

21 THAT HAS TO STOP. WE NEED TO GET THE DOCUMENTS BEFORE THE

22 MEETING. AND THAT'S NOT THAT DIFFICULT. YOU HAVE A LOT OF

23 STAFF WHO CAN DO IT. ANYWAY, THANK YOU FOR LISTENING.

24

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1 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MEMBERS, THIS IS A RECEIVE AND
2 FILE. WE ARE GOING ON TO OUR OTHER ITEMS THAT WERE HELD FOR
3 THIS TIME, ITEMS R-1 AND NO. 3 BY SHELIA KUEHL.

4

5 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** WE WILL NOW TAKE UP ITEMS R-1 AND
6 NO. 3. THOSE WHO WISH TO ADDRESS THIS ITEM WILL BE GIVEN A SET
7 TIME TO ADDRESS THESE ITEMS TOGETHER.

8

9 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE'LL START WITH SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

10

11 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAME CHAIR. I'M
12 VERY, VERY PLEASED TO SHARE THIS MOTION WITH YOU. I THINK THAT
13 IT'S VERY IMPORTANT IN THE KIND OF HISTORY OF THE COUNTY THAT
14 WE'RE CREATING TOGETHER. WE'VE DONE A GOOD DEAL ABOUT OUR OWN
15 PARTICULAR ATTEMPTS AT ALLEVIATING POVERTY IN THE COUNTY IN
16 MANY, MANY WAYS, RAISING THE MINIMUM WAGE, LOOKING AT ECONOMIC
17 DEVELOPMENT, DOING WHAT WE CAN IN TERMS OF HOMELESSNESS AND
18 AFFORDABLE HOUSING, SO MANY DIFFERENT WAYS THAT WE WANT TO NOT
19 ONLY KEEP THE COUNTY GOING AND IMPROVE IT AS A SAFETY NET BUT
20 REALLY IMPROVE THE LIVES OF EACH OF THE 10 MILLION PEOPLE IN
21 THE COUNTY. SO LAST YEAR, OUR OFFICES CONVENE A NUMBER OF
22 EXPERTS, I BELIEVE AS HIGH AS 20, WHO ARE EXPERTS IN THE FIELD
23 OF ALLEVIATING POVERTY, PRACTITIONERS AND THOUGHT LEADERS WHO
24 WORK FOR AND WITH THE UNITED WAY, WITH THE CITY OF LOS
25 ANGELES, KEY COMMUNITY-BASED NONPROFITS, PEOPLE FROM THE

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1 INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE, SEVERAL OF OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS
2 THAT SPECIALIZE TO MOVE PEOPLE ON TO A PATHWAY OF FINANCIAL
3 STABILITY. THE CONSENSUS OF THE GROUP WAS THAT ALTHOUGH THERE
4 ARE A LOT OF EFFORTS GOING ON IN THE COUNTY IN DIFFERENT
5 ORGANIZATIONS WITHIN THE COUNTY FAMILY ITSELF, THERE WAS
6 REALLY NO SYNERGY OR EVEN, CAN WE SAY, COORDINATION BETWEEN
7 AND AMONG THE VARIOUS ENTITIES TRYING TO HELP PEOPLE, FOR
8 INSTANCE, ACCESS THE EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT WHICH HAS
9 RECENTLY BEEN INCREASED, OR TAKE A PATH TO WHAT EVERYBODY IS
10 CALLING FINANCIAL LITERACY, REALLY UNDERSTANDING YOUR OWN
11 FINANCES, THE ABILITY TO SAVE, THE ABILITY TO THINK AHEAD, THE
12 ABILITY TO PLAN. OTHER ENTITIES WORKING TO PREVENT MORTGAGE
13 FORECLOSURE, WHICH BECAME VERY, VERY IMPORTANT AS WE LOOKED AT
14 THE MELTDOWN IN THE PAST, AND THERE'S SOME GOOD WORK GOING ON,
15 BUT NOT IN CONCERT WITH ALL THE OTHER WORK, AND THERE ARE A
16 NUMBER OF OTHER PROGRAMS PROVIDING PATHWAYS TO ECONOMIC
17 SECURITY FOR -- ESPECIALLY FOR OUR LOW-INCOME RESIDENTS.
18 AMAZINGLY ENOUGH, THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE ESTIMATED FOR
19 US THAT AS MUCH AS \$300 MILLION IS LEFT ON THE TABLE EVERY
20 YEAR JUST BY L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS WHO COULD HAVE ACCESSED THE
21 EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT AND DIDN'T EVEN KNOW ABOUT THE
22 PROGRAM. IN ADDITION, ANOTHER STUDY SHOWED THAT ALMOST 30
23 PERCENT OF ALL THE HOUSEHOLDS IN THE COUNTY DON'T HAVE A BANK.
24 OR THEY'RE CALLED THE UNBANKED RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY. THEY
25 DON'T HAVE A CHECKING ACCOUNT. THEY DON'T HAVE A SAVINGS

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1 ACCOUNT AT ALL. SO WHAT HAPPENS IS THEY REGULARLY USE PAYDAY
2 LENDERS OR CHECK CASHING STORES, WHICH, AS WE KNOW, CHARGE
3 EVERYBODY EXORBITANT FEES AND INTEREST RATES. AND ONCE YOU
4 KIND OF GET ENMESHED WITH THEM, IT'S VERY, VERY DIFFICULT TO
5 GET AWAY. 75 PERCENT OF THOSE CHECK-CASHING AND PAYDAY-LENDER
6 BUSINESSES ARE LOCATED IN LOW- OR MODERATE-INCOME
7 NEIGHBORHOODS. NOW, THEY KNOW WHAT THEY'RE DOING. THEY'RE
8 TRYING TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF OUR RESIDENTS WHO DON'T USE BANKS,
9 DON'T THINK THAT THEY HAVE THE KIND OF INCOME TO USE IT, OR
10 MAYBE CREDIT RECORD, ET CETERA. AND THESE BUSINESSES SUCK UP
11 AS MUCH AS \$142 MILLION OF OUR COUNTY LOW-INCOME RESIDENTS'
12 HARD-EARNED PAYCHECKS ANNUALLY. IMAGINE HOW MANY FUTURE SMALL
13 BUSINESSES, NOT PAYDAY LENDERS, OR EDUCATION SAVINGS ACCOUNTS
14 COULD BE BUILT BY THAT \$142 MILLION THAT OUR PEOPLE ARE
15 SPENDING JUST TO GET ACCESS TO THEIR OWN MONEY. SO THIS MOTION
16 DIRECTS THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS TO
17 TAKE A LOOK AT, TO EXPLORE, TO ASSESS WHAT WE CURRENTLY OFFER
18 IN THE COUNTY, TO CONSULT WITH EXPERTS IN THE FIELD, AND TO
19 EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITY OF PUTTING TOGETHER A PLAN OF ACTION
20 FOR A CENTER FOR FINANCIAL EMPOWERMENT THAT WOULD BE BASED IN
21 THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS TO COORDINATE
22 AND CONNECT ALL THE DISCONNECTED COUNTY PROGRAMS ON FINANCIAL
23 EMPOWERMENT, BUT ALSO SERVE AS A REGIONAL HUB THAT COULD
24 CONVENE AND CONNECT PROVIDERS ACROSS THE COUNTY. THIS CALLS
25 FOR A REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD ON THAT ASSESSMENT AND ON THAT

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1 FEASIBILITY. I'M VERY, VERY HAPPY TO CO-AUTHOR THIS WITH YOU,
2 MADAME CHAIR.

3

4 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR KNABE, YOU WANTED TO
5 MAKE A STATEMENT?

6

7 **SUP. KNABE:** I THINK SHEILA'S LAST COMMENT SORT OF VALIDATED IT
8 FOR ME. I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT IT'S COMING BACK TO THE
9 FULL BOARD FOR APPROVAL. I MEAN, IT INITIALLY READ LIKE THIS
10 WAS AN ACTION ITEM, SPENDING MONEY BEFORE WE GET THE PLAN
11 BACK, BUT IT IS ALL COMING BACK, CORRECT?

12

13 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** I THINK IF I ERRED IN THE LANGUAGE MAKING
14 IT STRONG ENOUGH IN THE MOTION, WE WANT TO MAKE IT CLEAR THIS
15 IS A REPORT BACK.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY. APPRECIATE THAT. BUT THE OTHER THING IS, THE
18 MOTION DOESN'T MENTION VETERANS OR THE DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY
19 AND VETERANS AFFAIRS. I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY'RE
20 INCLUDED IN THIS REPORT, SINCE THERE ARE A LOT OF VETERAN-
21 SPECIFIC KINDS OF ISSUES.

22

23 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** RIGHT.

24

25 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** I HAVE NO OBJECTION, OF COURSE.

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1

2 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** RIGHT.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT WOULD BE A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT. THANK YOU.

5

6 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I ALSO WANT TO CHIME IN AND THANK
7 SUPERVISOR KUEHL FOR DRAWING THIS TO OUR ATTENTION. AND IT IS
8 AN IMPORTANT ISSUE. I KNOW THAT SOME OF US HAVE DEALT WITH
9 THIS FOR MANY, MANY DECADES IN OUR OTHER PREVIOUS LIVES IN THE
10 LEGISLATURE AND EVEN IN THE CONGRESS. EVERYONE, I THINK,
11 UNDERSTANDS THAT SOME OF OUR LOWER-INCOME IMMIGRANT
12 COMMUNITIES ARE PREYED UPON BY OTHER ORGANIZATIONS OR GROUPS,
13 PRIVATE ENTITIES, THAT MAKE A LIVING ON DOING THAT, BECAUSE
14 UNFORTUNATELY MANY IN OUR DISTRICTS ARE NOT UTILIZING THE
15 BANKING SYSTEMS FOR DIFFERENT REASONS. SOME MAY BE THAT THEY
16 MAY NOT HAVE APPROPRIATE IDENTIFICATION. OTHERS MIGHT BE THAT
17 THEY DON'T HAVE SUFFICIENT INCOME TO BE ABLE TO HOLD AN
18 ACCOUNT OPEN. AND SOME ARE JUST NOT WELL VERSED ON WHAT THOSE
19 PROCESSES ARE. THAT'S AN ISSUE THAT CONTINUES TO BE FACED BY
20 MANY OF OUR RESIDENTS IN THE FIRST DISTRICT, PARTICULARLY
21 AMONGST THE DIVERSE GROUPS THAT WE REPRESENT. I KNOW THAT
22 RIGHT NOW WHAT I UNDERSTAND IS THAT 52 PERCENT OF HOUSEHOLDS
23 IN OUR REGION LACK SAVINGS TO LIVE ABOVE THE POVERTY LINE FOR
24 JUST THREE MONTHS. SO IT'S NOT CONVENIENT SOMETIMES TO BE ABLE
25 TO HAVE MONEY PUT IN A BANK ACCOUNT OR AWAY IN A SAVINGS

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1 ACCOUNT BECAUSE YOU HAVE TO DRAW ON IT PAYCHECK BY PAYCHECK.
2 WE KNOW THAT'S THE REALITY. AND APPROXIMATELY 20 PERCENT OF
3 OUR HOUSEHOLDS ARE USING CHECK CASHING OR PAYDAY LOANS,
4 SOMEWHERE UPWARDS OF 20, 25 PERCENT, MAYBE 35 PERCENT, THE
5 MONEY THAT THEY'RE EARNING THEY'RE ACTUALLY CHARGED TO BE ABLE
6 TO PULL OUT AND UTILIZE, WHICH IS RIDICULOUS. IT'S NOT THAT
7 OLD STORY WHERE PEOPLE ARE JUST STUFFING THEIR MATTRESSES WITH
8 MONEY ANYMORE. THEY'RE HAVING TO SURVIVE AND DRAW UPON THAT
9 MONEY TO PAY THE BILLS, THE CASH FOR THE ELECTRICITY AND
10 WHATEVER IS NECESSARY TO KEEP THEIR FAMILIES GOING. SO I AM
11 FULLY SUPPORTIVE OF THIS, AND I APPRECIATE WORKING WITH
12 SUPERVISOR KUEHL ON THIS TO MAKE SURE THAT WE REALLY GET ALL
13 OUR DEPARTMENTS, INCLUDING VETERANS, INCLUDING WOMEN AND ALL
14 THE DISPARATE GROUPS THAT MIGHT BE IMPACTED, AND OUR SENIORS
15 IN PARTICULAR, BECAUSE THEY ARE ALSO PREYED UPON IN MANY, MANY
16 WAYS, BUT SO THAT THEY UNDERSTAND WHAT TOOLS ARE AVAILABLE.
17 IT'S A GREAT WAY TO BE ABLE TO COORDINATE THIS AND COME BACK
18 WITH A REPORT ON THAT. AND I REALLY DO WANT TO GIVE A SHOUTOUT
19 TO OUR DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS, BECAUSE
20 THEY CONTINUE TO JUST OUTPERFORM. I REALLY DO WANT TO THANK
21 BRIAN STIGER AND HIS STAFF AND ALL THE FOLKS THAT HAVE BEEN
22 ENGAGED IN THIS. AND I KNOW WE ARE GOING TO HEAR ALSO FROM
23 SOME OF OUR STAKEHOLDERS IN THE COMMUNITY WHO WOULD REALLY
24 ENJOY WORKING WITH THE COUNTY AND WITH OUR OTHER COMMUNITY
25 SERVICE GROUPS THAT WE HAVE EMPOWERED TO BE ABLE TO GET THE

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1 WORD OUT THERE. SO I AM -- JUST WANT TO GIVE A SHOUTOUT TO
2 THEM AND ALSO TO SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND OUR STAFFS FOR WORKING
3 TOGETHER. AND HOPEFULLY WE WILL GET A GOOD REPORT BACK THAT IS
4 VERY INCLUSIVE. WE DO HAVE SEVERAL WITNESSES, MEMBERS, THAT
5 I'LL ASK TO COME UP BEFORE WE MOVE THIS ITEM. WE HAVE EVELYN
6 GARCIA, UNITED WAY OF GREATER L.A., RICK KIM, KOREAN YOUTH
7 COMMUNITY CENTER. ABIGAIL MARQUEZ, LOS ANGELES CITY DEPARTMENT
8 OF HOUSING COMMUNITY INVESTMENT, SARAH BRENNAN, SELF-HELP
9 FEDERAL CREDIT UNION AND SELF-HELP VENTURES FUND, AND ALDO
10 MEDINA, EAST L.A. COMMUNITY CORPORATION. GO AHEAD, MA'AM.

11

12 **ABIGAIL MARQUEZ:** GOOD MORNING. ABIGAIL MARQUEZ. WE'RE GOING GO
13 A LITTLE OUT OF ORDER, IF THAT'S OKAY WITH YOU, MADAME CHAIR.

14

15 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SURE.

16

17 **ABIGAIL MARQUEZ:** I CURRENTLY SERVE AS THE ASSISTANT GENERAL
18 MANAGER OF THE CITY'S HOUSING AND COMMUNITY INVESTMENT
19 DEPARTMENT, RECENTLY TRANSITIONED OUT OF MAYOR GARCETTI'S
20 OFFICE. I WAS HIS WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT POLICY DIRECTOR. BUT
21 I'M REALLY EXCITED TO BE WITH YOU ALL TODAY. AND I DO WANT TO
22 APPLAUD SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR INTRODUCING
23 THIS MOTION. I HAVE BEEN PERSONALLY COMMITTED TO ADVANCING
24 POLICIES AND PROGRAMS AIMED AT ALLEVIATING POVERTY IN THE LAST
25 15 YEARS. I'VE BEEN WORKING IN PUBLIC SERVICE NOW FOR 15

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1 YEARS. AND I JUST WANTED TO SHARE THAT WE HAVE BEEN TALKING
2 ABOUT THE RECOVERY THAT WE'VE SEEN. WE'VE NOW RECOVERED FROM
3 ONE OF THE GREATEST RECESSIONS OF OUR COUNTRY'S HISTORY.
4 HOWEVER, MINORITY HOUSEHOLDS, IN PARTICULAR, SINGLE MOTHERS
5 AND WOMEN OF COLOR, WERE HIT ESPECIALLY HARD BY THE RECESSION
6 AND HAVE RECOVERED THE LEAST SINCE THEN. AND ALTHOUGH LOS
7 ANGELES IS EXPERIENCING TREMENDOUS FORWARD MOMENTUM, MANY
8 FAMILIES ARE STILL STRUGGLING TO MAKE ENDS MEET. THEY'RE
9 FACING MAJOR ECONOMIC CHALLENGES, LIVING PAYCHECK TO PAYCHECK.
10 ACCORDING TO THE CENTER FOR ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT, AND
11 SUPERVISOR SOLIS TALKED ABOUT THIS STATISTIC, IT'S ESTIMATED
12 THAT 52 PERCENT OF CITY OF L.A. HOUSEHOLDS ARE IN A PERSISTENT
13 STATE OF ECONOMIC INSECURITY, MEANING THAT FAMILIES DON'T HAVE
14 ENOUGH IN THEIR SAVINGS OR ASSETS TO SURVIVE THREE MONTHS IF
15 THEY WERE TO EXPERIENCE JOB LOSS OR A MEDICAL EMERGENCY. SO
16 TODAY IT'S EVEN MORE CRITICAL TO IDENTIFY INNOVATIVE
17 APPROACHES TO IMPROVE FINANCIAL STABILITY OF OUR RESIDENTS SO
18 THAT EVERYONE CAN RECOVER AND ACHIEVE GREATER ECONOMIC
19 MOBILITY. I APPLAUD ALL OF YOU FOR INITIATING A COUNTY-WIDE
20 ASSESSMENT OF FINANCIAL EMPOWERMENT PROGRAMS ACROSS THE COUNTY
21 THAT COULD POTENTIALLY LEAD TO THE CREATION OF A CENTER FOR
22 FINANCIAL EMPOWERMENT. BY DOING SO, YOU ARE DEMONSTRATING HOW
23 LOCAL GOVERNMENT CAN LEVERAGE ITS POWER TO IMPLEMENT LARGE-
24 SCALE PROGRAMS THAT INCREASE ACCESS TO FINANCIAL, MAINSTREAM
25 FINANCIAL BANKING, WEALTH BUILDING, AND HIGH-QUALITY FINANCIAL

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1 EDUCATION. THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES HAS BEEN COMMITTED TO A
2 FINANCIAL EMPOWERMENT AGENDA FOR THE PAST FIVE YEARS. THE
3 MAYOR, WHEN HE WAS A COUNCILMEMBER, LAUNCHED THE FAMILY SOURCE
4 SYSTEM, WHICH LEVERAGED ALL OF OUR C.D.B.G. AND C.S.B.G.
5 DOLLARS TO LOOK AT IMPLEMENTING FINANCIAL EMPOWERMENT PROGRAMS
6 WITHIN THE SYSTEM. WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO ADD 21 FREE INCOME TAX
7 PREPARATION SITES ACROSS THE CITY. AND IN THE LAST FIVE YEARS,
8 THEY'VE BEEN ABLE TO HELP CONNECT RESIDENTS TO OVER \$30
9 MILLION OF TAX CREDITS. AND I'LL STOP THERE. I THINK MY TIME'S
10 UP. I APOLOGIZE.

11

12 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NEXT WITNESS, PLEASE.

13

14 **RICK KIM:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS --

15

16 **EVELYN GARCIA:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS EVELYN GARCIA, AND I'M
17 A PROGRAM OFFICER AT THE UNITED WAY OF GREATER LOS ANGELES.
18 I'M HERE TO EXPRESS OUR SUPPORT AND APPRECIATION FOR YOUR
19 CONSIDERATION OF CREATING A CENTER FOR FINANCIAL EMPOWERMENT.
20 IN 2007, THE UNITED WAY MADE A COMMITMENT TO CREATE PATHWAYS
21 OUT OF POVERTY FOR ALL ANGELENOS. NEARLY A DECADE OF ANTI-
22 POVERTY EFFORTS HAVE DEMONSTRATED THAT INCOME ALONE IS NOT
23 SUFFICIENT TO PROVIDE LOW-INCOME FAMILIES WITH ECONOMIC
24 SECURITY AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH. FAMILIES ALSO NEED A
25 STRONG FINANCIAL BASE, INCLUDING ASSETS AND FINANCIALLY

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1 HEALTHY HABITS TO GET THEM OUT OF THEIR TIMES OF NEED AND TO
2 DRAW UPON FOR UPWARD MOBILITY. RESEARCH SHOWS THAT FINANCIAL
3 EMPOWERMENT CONTRIBUTES TO THE ECONOMIC, SOCIAL, AND
4 PSYCHOLOGICAL WELL-BEING OF FAMILIES AND THE COMMUNITY AT
5 LARGE. FOR EXAMPLE, THERE IS A CLEAR CONNECTION BETWEEN HEALTH
6 AND WEALTH, A STRONG CORRELATION BETWEEN A FINANCIALLY STABLE
7 HOUSEHOLD AND THE ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT OF CHILDREN, AND WE
8 KNOW THAT FINANCIAL EMPOWERMENT IS A KEY COMPONENT FOR
9 DOMESTIC-VIOLENCE SURVIVORS TO MOVE BEYOND THEIR ABUSIVE
10 CIRCUMSTANCES. A FINANCIAL EMPOWERMENT EFFORT HEADED BY THE
11 COUNTY WOULD BE A GREAT MOVE IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION FOR THESE
12 EFFORTS. THE COUNTY IS UNIQUELY POSITIONED TO LAUNCH LARGE-
13 SCALE CAMPAIGNS TO CONNECT MASS NUMBERS OF FAMILIES WITH
14 ASSET-BUILDING SERVICES, TO BROKER PARTNERSHIPS BETWEEN PUBLIC
15 AND PRIVATE STAKEHOLDERS, AND TO PROMOTE AND NURTURE BEST
16 PRACTICES IN THE FIELDS. AND PERHAPS THE MOST EXCITING
17 PROSPECT IS THE INTEGRATION AND BUNDLING OF FINANCIAL
18 EMPOWERMENT SERVICES WITH THE OTHER SERVICES COUNTY
19 DEPARTMENTS CURRENTLY PROVIDE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME, AND WE
20 LOOK FORWARD TO A STRONG PARTNERSHIP ON THIS.

21

22 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. THANK YOU. NEXT WITNESS.

23

24 **RICK KIM:** GOOD MORNING. RICK KIM WITH KOREAN YOUTH COMMUNITY
25 CENTER. SUPERVISOR SOLIS ACTUALLY SPOKE A LOT OF NUMBERS THAT

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1 WERE NOT MENTIONED. SO, THANK YOU FOR STEALING MY THUNDER. I
2 REALLY DO APPRECIATE THAT. I DO WANT TO ACTUALLY HIGHLIGHT A
3 COUPLE THINGS THAT SHE DIDN'T MENTION, IS THE FACT THAT THERE
4 ARE ABOUT 20 PERCENT OF L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS WHO HAVE ZERO
5 ASSETS TO SPEAK OF. RECENTLY THERE WAS A REPORT CALLED COLOR
6 OF WEALTH IN LOS ANGELES, AND IT HIGHLIGHTS, I THINK, A FEW
7 THINGS THAT REALLY WAS EYE-OPENING FOR ME, THE FACT THAT THE
8 MEDIAN NET WORTH OF RESIDENTS OF MEXICAN DESCENT IN L.A. WERE
9 \$3,500, U.S. BLACKS WERE \$4,000 AND KOREAN-AMERICANS WERE
10 \$23,000. THESE ARE NOT BIG NUMBERS, BUT THESE ARE ALSO MEDIAN
11 NUMBERS. AND I WANT TO SAY THAT THE CLIENTS WE SEE EVERY DAY
12 AT K.Y.C.C. ARE WAY BELOW THESE LINES. I THINK THEY MAKE UP
13 THE BULK OF THE RESIDENTS WHO ARE AT THE ZERO-NET-ASSET
14 CATEGORY. THE AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD INCOME OF CLIENTS THAT WORK IN
15 K.Y.C.C. IS ABOUT \$20,000 A YEAR. AND AS WE PREPARED THEIR
16 TAXES, THE BIGGEST QUESTION WE GET EVERY YEAR IS: WHY IS MY
17 RETURN SMALLER THAN LAST YEAR? AND I THINK IT'S A COMBINATION
18 OF THEIR KIDS AGING OUT FROM CHILD TAX-CREDIT ELIGIBILITY,
19 MAYBE HAVING A SECOND OR THIRD JOB, WHICH INCREASES THEIR
20 INCOME A LITTLE BIT AND LOWERS THEIR E.I.C. AND AS WE TRY TO
21 DEAL WITH THESE SITUATIONS, I THINK IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT THAT
22 OUR CLIENTS RECEIVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO REALLY SAVE, PREPARE
23 FOR EMERGENCIES, AND REALLY BUILD WEALTH TOWARDS THEIR
24 ECONOMIC SECURITY. AND I THINK WHILE WE ARE REALLY GOOD AT
25 WHAT WE DO, THE PROBLEM THAT OUR CLIENTS FACE ARE MUCH BIGGER

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1 THAN US TO BE ABLE TO RESOLVE. SO I AM GRATEFUL THAT THE
2 COUNTY IS CONSIDERING TAKING THE LEADERSHIP IN REALLY HELPING
3 US HELP OUR CLIENTS TO THRIVE AND BECOME MORE STABLE IN THE
4 FUTURE. THANK YOU.

5

6 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT WITNESS.

7

8 **SARAH BRENNAN:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS SARAH BRENNAN. I SERVE
9 AS EXECUTIVE STAFF AT SELF-HELP FEDERAL CREDIT UNION. JUST A
10 LITTLE BIT OF BACKGROUND ABOUT WHO WE ARE, SINCE YOU MAY NOT
11 BE FAMILIAR WITH US. WE'RE ONE OF THE OLDEST AND LARGEST
12 COMMUNITY-DEVELOPMENT CREDIT UNIONS IN THE UNITED STATES. WE
13 WERE STARTED IN 1980, AND WE CURRENTLY OPERATE 50 BRANCHES
14 ACROSS FOUR STATES. WE HAVE TWO BRANCHES HERE LOCALLY. THEY'RE
15 BOTH IN YOUR DISTRICT, MADAME CHAIR, ONE IN EL MONTE AND ONE
16 IN POMONA. WE ALSO HAVE 17 OTHER BRANCHES ACROSS THE STATE OF
17 CALIFORNIA. AND SINCE 1980, WE HAVE INVESTED OR LOANED \$7
18 BILLION TO LOW-INCOME COMMUNITIES. SO THIS IS AN ISSUE THAT IS
19 REALLY OUR BREAD AND BUTTER, AND IT'S NEAR AND DEAR TO OUR
20 HEART. WHILE THERE ARE SOME GOOD INDEPENDENT EFFORTS THAT
21 EXIST CURRENTLY IN L.A. COUNTY TO PROMOTE FINANCIAL INCLUSION
22 AND ACCESS, IT'S VERY CLEAR TO US THAT A COORDINATED APPROACH
23 IS NEEDED TO PROTECT COMMUNITIES FROM THE ONSLAUGHT OF
24 USURIOUS FINANCIAL PROVIDERS THAT ARE PROLIFERATING IN THESE
25 COMMUNITIES. WE SEE PEOPLE EVERY SINGLE DAY WHO COME TO US AND

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1 ARE ASKING FOR VARIOUS DEBT-CONSOLIDATION LOAN PACKAGES.
2 UNFORTUNATELY SOMETIMES THEY DO NOT QUALIFY, BECAUSE THEIR
3 D.T.I. IS ALREADY THROUGH THE ROOF, BECAUSE THEY ARE TRAPPED
4 IN A PAYDAY-LOAN DEBT CYCLE OF OUTRAGEOUS INTEREST RATES OF
5 200, 300, AND OVER 400 PERCENT A.P.R. AND, AGAIN, THAT'S
6 SOMETHING WE SEE EVERY DAY. SO FROM WHERE WE SIT AS A
7 RESPONSIBLE FINANCIAL SERVICE PROVIDER THAT IS TRYING TO HELP
8 THESE FOLKS BANK RESPONSIBLY AND BANK SAFELY, WE FEEL THAT THE
9 COUNTY IS UNIQUELY POSITIONED TO AMPLIFY THE VALUE THAT WE AND
10 OTHER GROUPS LIKE OURSELVES BRING TO YOUR RESIDENTS. AND SO
11 FROM WHAT WE CAN SEE, THE COUNTY COULD SERVE AS A CONVENER
12 THAT CONNECTS RESIDENTS WITH ESSENTIAL INFORMATION ABOUT
13 FINANCIAL LITERACY AND ABOUT WHAT ARE THE RESPONSIBLE
14 PROVIDERS IN THEIR COMMUNITIES AND THE HELPFUL COMMUNITY
15 GROUPS THAT CAN HELP THEM WITH FINANCIAL LITERACY. WE SEE THAT
16 THE COUNTY COULD INFLUENCE AND PROMOTE BEST FINANCIAL
17 RESOURCES AND PRACTICES AND FACILITATE ADDITIONAL PARTNERSHIPS
18 THAT DON'T CURRENTLY EXIST. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR INTRODUCING
19 THIS.

20

21 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU FOR COMING. NEXT WITNESS.

22

23 **ALDO MEDINA:** HI, MY NAME IS ALDO MEDINA. I'M WITH THE EAST
24 L.A. COMMUNITY CORPORATION. AND WE'RE A NONPROFIT HOUSING
25 DEVELOPER IN BOYLE HEIGHTS. AND OUR MISSION IS TO ADVOCATE FOR

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1 SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC JUSTICE IN BOYLE HEIGHTS AND EAST L.A. BY
2 BUILDING GRASSROOTS LEADERSHIP, DEVELOPING AFFORDABLE HOUSING,
3 AND PROVIDING ACCESS TO ECONOMIC-DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR
4 LOW- AND MODERATE-INCOME FAMILIES. I'M HERE TO COMMEND
5 SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR THIS MOTION, AND
6 JUST FROM PERSONAL EXPERIENCE, THROUGH THE PEOPLE THAT WALK
7 THROUGH OUR DOORS EVERY DAY FOR OUR FINANCIAL COUNSELING, OUR
8 FINANCIAL LITERACY PROGRAMS, I SEE THE IMPACT. AND I THINK THE
9 IMPORTANT PART HERE IS THE EMPOWERMENT ASPECT OF IT. A LOT OF
10 THESE PEOPLE, ONCE THEY UNDERSTAND CREDIT AND UNDERSTAND HOW
11 THAT AFFECTS THEIR DAILY LIVES, IT IS REALLY EMPOWERING AND
12 VERY POWERFUL. SO I WANT TO COMMEND ALL OF YOU FOR TAKING THIS
13 INITIATIVE. AND I'M ACTUALLY QUITE SURPRISED THAT THIS HASN'T
14 BEEN BROUGHT UP BEFORE. SO THANK YOU FOR BRINGING IT UP. IT'S
15 REALLY IMPORTANT FOR FAMILIES ALL THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY AND
16 THE STATE, REALLY. AND JUST LIKE MY COLLEAGUES MENTIONED ABOUT
17 THE PREDATORY LENDING, THAT JUST LEADS TO POVERTIES OF CYCLE,
18 AND THEY'RE VERY DIFFICULT TO GET OUT OF, SO WE NEED TO
19 CONTINUE THESE EFFORTS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

20

21 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE HAVE SOME OTHER
22 WITNESSES. DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL, ARNOLD SACHS, ERIC PREVEN,
23 AND GERI MANNING.

24

25 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** HI. INTRODUCE YOURSELF, MA'AM?

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1

2 **GERI MANNING:** EXCUSE ME?

3

4 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** INTRODUCE YOURSELF, YOUR NAME.

5

6 **GERI MANNING:** I'M GERI MANNING. MAY I SPEAK?

7

8 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES, GO RIGHT AHEAD, MA'AM.

9

10 **GERI MANNING:** I WAS A STUDENT, A SINGLE MOTHER RAISING FOUR
11 CHILDREN. I WENT TO COLLEGE OF THE CANYONS, AND I STUDIED
12 COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY. I GRADUATED AND EARNED AN ASSOCIATE OF
13 SCIENCE DEGREE. HOWEVER, I COULD NOT GET A JOB. I APPLIED AND
14 SENT IN RESUMES AT LOCKHEED MARTIN, BOEING, AND OTHER
15 AEROSPACE INDUSTRIES. I COULD NOT GET A JOB, BECAUSE I DID NOT
16 TAKE THE MARK OF THE BEAST. REVELATION 13: 16-18 SAYS, "AND HE
17 CALLS US ALL, BOTH SMALL AND GREAT, RICH AND POOR, FREE AND
18 BOND, TO RECEIVE A MARK IN THEIR RIGHT HAND OR IN THEIR
19 FOREHEADS AND THAT NO MAN MIGHT BUY OR SELL, SAVE HE THAT HAD
20 THE MARK OR THE NAME OF THE BEAST OR THE NUMBER OF HIS NAME.
21 HERE IS WISDOM. LET HIM THAT HAS UNDERSTANDING COUNT THE
22 NUMBER OF THE BEAST, FOR IT IS THE NUMBER OF A MAN. AND HIS
23 NUMBER IS 600, THREE SCORE AND 6." THAT'S 666, AND THAT MAN IS
24 CAESAR. HIS NAME IS ALSO DONALD TRUMP. THEREFORE I AM FOR, WHY
25 I AM FOR THE MINIMUM WAGE INCREASE. I FIND FORCING PEOPLE WHO

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1 LOVE THE LORD GOD JESUS CHRIST AND LIVE BY HIS WORD IS A CRIME
2 AGAINST HUMANITY.

3

4 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MA'AM. ARNOLD SACHS.

5

6 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING, ARNOLD SACHS. I
7 DON'T KNOW. MUST BE A DIFFERENT PLANET. JUST LISTENING TO SOME
8 OF THE NUMBERS, UNITED WAY STARTED ITS PROGRAM IN 2007. YEARS.
9 AND NOW YOU'RE REACTING TO THIS RECOVERY FROM THE RECESSION,
10 RECOVERY EXCEPT FOR LOW-INCOME PEOPLE. IT DOESN'T SOUND LIKE
11 MUCH A RECOVERY, THEN. THIS IS A STORY FROM 12/5/14. IT'S A
12 SUMMIT. OH. "STATE SENATOR KEVIN DE LE N TALKS WITH FORMER
13 STATE GOVERNOR GRAY DAVIS." "AFTER SPEAKING AT THE FIFTH
14 ANNUAL ECONOMIC RECOVERY AND JOB CREATION SUMMIT IN DOWNTOWN
15 L.A. LAST WEEK. 18.9 PERCENT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY RESIDENTS
16 ARE LIVING IN POVERTY." THIS IS FROM 2013. IT MENTIONS THAT
17 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA GOVERNANCE REGIONAL ACTION PLAN ON
18 POVERTY WAS DEVELOPED BY ITS BUSINESS ADVISORY GROUP, THE
19 GLOBAL LAND USE AND ECONOMY COUNCIL. SO WHAT PART DID THE
20 COUNTY PLAY IN THAT? WE DON'T KNOW. YOUR OWN REPORT LAST WEEK
21 FROM -- OH, EXCUSE ME, FROM MARCH 1ST SAID, "PER CAPITA
22 HOUSEHOLDS INCOMES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY ARE LOWER THAN THE
23 STATE AVERAGE. POVERTY RATES ARE HIGHER, MEANING HOUSEHOLD
24 INCOME IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY ESTIMATED AT \$51,000 IS
25 APPROXIMATELY 15 PERCENT LOWER THAN THE STATE MEDIAN." YOU'VE

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1 HAD MOTIONS THAT YOU MADE IN THE LAST COUPLE YEARS. IN ORDER
2 TO AID THIS RECOVERY, I THINK YOU GUYS SHOULD BACK OFF. I'M
3 KIND OF REMINDED OF "COOL HAND LUKE" WHEN THE WARDEN SAID
4 "WE'RE TRYING TO COMMUNICATE. WE'RE TRYING TO HELP. WE'RE
5 TRYING TO DO ALL THIS STUFF. WE WANT TO HELP DO, BE BETTER."
6 AND LUKE LOOKS AT HIM AND SAYS, "I WISH YOU'D STOP TRYING TO
7 HELP ME SO MUCH."

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9 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** ERIC PREVEN.

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11 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS. IT'S ERIC PREVEN.
12 AND OBVIOUSLY A MEASURE OF GRATITUDE IS IN ORDER HERE. AS THE
13 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOCUSES ONCE AGAIN ON THE GRIEVING
14 POVERTY CRISIS WE ARE FACING AND WHAT CAN WE DO, WHAT HAVE WE
15 DONE TO IMPROVE THINGS, AND IN CONNECTION WITH THAT, I HAVE
16 SOME SUGGESTIONS. FIRST OF ALL, THE WHOLE REASON WHY I YAMMER
17 ON ABOUT THE JOB-ORDER CONTRACTING PROGRAM HERE AT THE COUNTY
18 IS BECAUSE THERE ARE SAVINGS TO BE HAD BY HAVING PROPER
19 COMPETITION AND NOT CHEATING. SO THAT WOULD REALLY BE GOOD TO
20 CLEAN THAT MESS UP. WE'RE TALKING ABOUT HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS
21 OF DOLLARS, AND IT'S BEEN INCREASING. THAT MONEY COULD BE
22 SAVED AND PUT TO GOOD USE. ACROSS THE STREET AT THE CITY WITH
23 OUR TREASURED PARTNERS, WHERE WE'VE BEEN WORKING ON THE
24 HOMELESS PROBLEM, IT'S IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT EVEN TODAY AS
25 YOU PUSH THROUGH TWO ITEMS, ITEM 15 AND 16 FOR JAMISON

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1 PROPERTIES, WHICH IS A LARGE COUNTY REAL ESTATE, SO RENTING
2 COUNTY REAL ESTATE IS A BAD IDEA, ENRICHING OTHERS FOR NO GOOD
3 REASON, WHEN WE COULD BE DOING THINGS MORE CLOSE TO THE WAY
4 YOU WOULD DO IT YOURSELF IF YOU WERE A LARGE, LOADED COUNTY.
5 THEY ARE IN PARTNERSHIP WITH A GUY NAMED HANKE, WHO I KNOW
6 SUPERVISOR KUEHL IS FAMILIAR WITH. THIS IS A GUY, AND THEY ARE
7 RUNNING AROUND TOWN YOU CAN SEE IT ON CURBED L.A., INTERESTING
8 STORY. THEY ARE NO LONGER JUST RENTING TO BIG MUNICIPALITIES.
9 THEY'RE NOW DEVELOPING WITH AGRESSIVELY WITH MR. HANKE, WHO IS
10 A PREDATORY LENDER. NOW, PREDATORY LENDERS MUST NOT BE TAGGED
11 SO QUICKLY, BECAUSE, YOU KNOW, HE'LL GIVE A GUY A CAR WHEN NO
12 ONE ELSE WILL. SO, THAT'S VERY CHARMING. THE BALLOONING
13 PAYMENT THAT DROWNS THE GUY, THAT'S HIS BUSINESS PLAN. AND
14 UNFORTUNATELY, THAT IS THE KIND OF STUFF WE SHOULD BE HOLDING
15 THE LINE ON RATHER THAN FEEDING INTO THAT KIND OF, HEY, HERE'S
16 AN OPPORTUNITY TO PUT UP TINY APARTMENTS FOR LOADED CONDOS FOR
17 PEOPLE DOWNTOWN AND THAT PART OF THE PLAN THAT EVERYBODY IS SO
18 DAZZLINGLY EXCITED ABOUT, WHILE, IN FACT, ALL OF THESE OTHER
19 THINGS LIKE MAKING IT SO THAT A BANK WILL NOT CHARGE
20 PERNICIOUS FEES -- I MEAN, NOBODY DISAGREES WITH THOSE PAYDAY
21 LOAN THINGS BEING BAD. AND, YOU KNOW, THERE'S SO MANY THINGS
22 WE CAN DO TO DO BETTER WHERE WE HAVE NOT BEEN DOING ENOUGH.

23

24 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** TIME'S EXPIRED. THANK YOU. DR. CLAVREUL?

25

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1 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING. DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL.
2 ON THE ITEMS R-1 AND 3, YOU KNOW, WE ARE ALWAYS BRINGING THE
3 ISSUE OF THAT HEALTH AGENCY, WHICH AS FAR AS I AM CONCERNED IS
4 AN ILLEGAL AGENCY, THE BROWN ACT HAVING BEEN VIOLATED WHEN IT
5 WAS CREATED IN JANUARY 13. I HAVE REPEATEDLY SENT LETTERS TO
6 OUR WONDERFUL DISTRICT ATTORNEY JACKIE, AND SHE HAS NOT
7 RESPONDED. BUT I READ AN ARTICLE IN A NEWSPAPER LAST WEEK
8 SAYING HOW UNRELIABLE AND HOW DESPICABLE IT WAS TO HAVE A D.A.
9 NOT ANSWERING IN VIOLATION OF THE BROWN ACT. SHE FINALLY
10 RESPONDED TO ONE OF MY LETTERS, AND SHE'S GOING TO LOOK ON IT,
11 YOU KNOW, SINCE JANUARY, THEN JULY, MULTIPLE LETTERS. SO I AM
12 A STRONG BELIEVER IN THE POWER OF THE PRESS, AND I HOPE THAT
13 ONE DAY SHE IS GOING TO LOOK AT THAT ISSUE AND MAKE SURE THAT
14 ACTIONS ARE TAKEN TO DISBAND THAT FRIVOLOUS AND UNNECESSARY
15 AGENCY. AND CONTRARY TO WHAT THEY'VE BEEN TELLING YOU, IT IS
16 NOT WORKING WELL. THEY ARE NOT EVEN EXCHANGING INFORMATION ON
17 BASIC ISSUES, LIKE HIRING A PHYSICIAN. THAT'S VERY SCARY TO
18 ME, YOU KNOW. AND WHEN YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT THE ORIGINAL
19 CENTER, WE'RE DEALING WITH S.E.A., THEY WON'T ANSWER A PHONE
20 CALL. SOMETIME IT TAKES THREE WEEKS AND MULTIPLE PHONE CALLS
21 TO RESPOND FOR INSURANCE FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE LOSING THEIR
22 INSURANCE DUE TO LACK OF WORK AND SO ON. I KNOW THAT MAINLY IS
23 STATE AGENCY, BUT PLEASE, SEE WHAT YOU CAN DO TO MAKE THEM
24 ANSWER SO THAT PEOPLE DON'T LOSE HEALTHCARE, INCLUDING MY
25 GRANDSON. I WOULD REALLY APPRECIATE. THANK YOU.

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2 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE HAVE ONE MORE WITNESS, TERRANCE JONES
3 BAY.

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5 **TERRANCE JONES RAY:** GOOD MORNING. TERRANCE JONES BAY. I WANTED
6 TO TALK ABOUT HOW WE CAN PUT GOVERNMENT REGULATION ON THE
7 PRICE CONTROL AS FAR AS COMMODITIES, PRODUCTS, BECAUSE THEY
8 ALSO TAKE AWAY FROM POOR COMMUNITIES ALSO. AND ALSO -- OH, IF
9 WE CAN IMPLEMENT PROGRAMS FOR TEACHING PEOPLE HOW TO HANDLE
10 THEIR FINANCIAL SITUATION WITHIN SCHOOL, LIKE THE BOARD OF
11 EDUCATION, IF THEY CAN COME UP WITH THE PROPER PROGRAMS FOR
12 CHILDREN SO THEY CAN LEARN IT AT A YOUNG AGE SO WHEN THEY
13 BECOME OLDER AND NOT JUST LEFT TO FIND OUT FOR THEMSELVES. IF
14 THEY DON'T MAKE IT TO COLLEGE, A LOT OF PEOPLE IN POVERTY,
15 THEY DON'T GO TO COLLEGE. I THINK THAT WOULD HELP BENEFIT THE
16 WHOLE AREA WITHIN THE SCHOOLS. THAT'S IT.

17

18 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. OKAY, MEMBERS, THIS ITEM IS A
19 RECEIVE AND FILE. IT WILL BE AMENDED TO INCLUDE THE VETERANS
20 COMPONENT. AND I THINK IT'S A GOOD IDEA, THE GENTLEMAN -- YES,
21 IT IS. YES, YOU'RE CORRECT, BECAUSE IT'S A REPORT THAT'S ALSO
22 A MOTION, YES. YES, WE WILL. I JUST WANTED TO MENTION THAT THE
23 POINT THAT THE YOUNG MAN JUST MADE ABOUT EDUCATION, FISCAL,
24 ALSO INFORMATION FOR YOUNG PEOPLE ON HOW TO MANAGE THEIR
25 ACCOUNTS IS SOMETHING WORTHWHILE. I THINK IT MAY HAPPEN NOW,

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1 BUT WE DEFINITELY NEED TO EMPHASIZE IT. SO IT'S BEEN MOVED BY
2 SUPERVISOR KUEHL, SECONDED BY SOLIS, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SUCH
3 WILL BE THE ORDER. AS AMENDED. WE'RE DONE. WE'RE GOING TO TURN
4 NOT TO ITEM R-2, DR. MITCH KATZ, THE HEALTH BUDGET REPORT.

5

6 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, DR.
7 MITCH KATZ, THE DIRECTOR OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY HEALTH
8 AGENCY. I'M VERY PROUD TO PRESENT TO YOU THE FISCAL OUTLOOK
9 FOR ONE OF OUR THREE DEPARTMENTS, THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
10 SERVICES. THIS BOARD WAS EXTREMELY HELPFUL BOTH THIS YEAR AND
11 IN PAST YEARS ALERTING OUR WASHINGTON DELEGATION TO THE
12 IMPORTANCE OF HAVING A WAIVER APPROVED. THAT 1115 WAIVER WAS
13 APPROVED. AND WITH THAT, WE HAVE A GUARANTEED THREE YEARS OF
14 BALANCED BUDGETS AND THE OPPORTUNITY TO REALLY WORK ON
15 IMPROVING OUR SYSTEM DURING THOSE TIMES. THE WAIVER ITSELF HAS
16 A GLOBAL PAYMENT PROGRAM WHICH COMBINES THE DISPROPORTIONATE
17 SHARE HOSPITAL PROGRAM WITH THE SAFETY NET CARE POOL. IT HAS A
18 RESIGN PROGRAM. AND WE WERE INTEGRAL TO WORKING WITH THE
19 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO SAY IF YOU REALLY WANT TO CHANGE
20 OUTCOMES AND IMPROVE THEM, YOU HAVE TO FOCUS ON OUTPATIENT
21 CARE. THE PREVIOUS WAIVER FOCUSED ON INPATIENT CARE. AND THEN,
22 FINALLY, THE WHOLE- PERSON CARE PILOT, WHICH REALLY SPEAKS TO
23 THE WORK THAT THIS BOARD HAS STARTED AHEAD OF THE WAIVER
24 AROUND HOUSING, AROUND ENABLING MENTALLY ILL AND SUBSTANCE-
25 ABUSING PEOPLE TO BE DIVERTED FROM JAIL INTO TREATMENT SO THEY

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1 CAN GET THE TREATMENT THEY NEED. I THINK IT WILL BE A VERY
2 EXCITING COLLABORATION BETWEEN LOS ANGELES AND THE STATE UNDER
3 THE WHOLE-PERSON CARE PILOT. THERE ARE A NUMBER OF UNKNOWNNS,
4 AS THERE ALWAYS ARE, GOING FORWARD BUT WHAT I'M REALLY PLEASED
5 ABOUT IS THAT WE HAVE THESE THREE YEARS WHERE WE KNOW WE'RE
6 GOING TO BE BALANCED. WE KNOW THEY'RE GOING TO BE NO DEFICITS.
7 THAT REALLY GIVES US THE ROOM TO FOCUS ON MAKING THE DELIVERY
8 SYSTEM THE BEST IT POSSIBLY CAN. THANK YOU.

9

10 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ANY QUESTIONS? SUPERVISOR
11 KUEHL.

12

13 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAME CHAIR. THANK
14 YOU, DR. KATZ. I ALWAYS LOVE GETTING REPORTS FROM YOU, BECAUSE
15 YOU'RE SO OPTIMISTIC. AND I LOVE THE POSITIVE ASPECTS OF IT.
16 BUT RIGHT AT THE VERY END, YOU ALWAYS SAY "OF COURSE, THERE
17 MIGHT BE A FEW CHALLENGES." SO I'D LIKE TO, JUST BECAUSE I
18 THINK IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US AS A BOARD TO UNDERSTAND "POSSIBLE
19 CHALLENGES IN THE FUTURE" IN TERMS OF THE GOALS THAT WE MIGHT
20 HAVE TO MEET UNDER THESE SORT OF NEW REQUIREMENTS, AND I GUESS
21 IF THE PROPOSED MEDICAID MANAGED-CARE RULE WERE TO BE ISSUED
22 AS IT WAS DRAFTED, CAN YOU INDICATE HOW YOU THINK THE
23 DEPARTMENTS' FINANCES MIGHT BE AFFECTED ONE WAY OR THE OTHER?

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1 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR. I AM
2 OPTIMISTIC. I AM SOMEONE WHO BELIEVES THAT WHATEVER THE
3 CIRCUMSTANCES, THAT THIS BOARD, THIS COUNTY FIND THEMSELVES
4 IN, WE'RE SMART ENOUGH AND RESOURCEFUL ENOUGH THAT WE WILL
5 TRIUMPH, WHATEVER THEY ARE. EVEN IF THE ORIGINAL PLAN OF THE
6 MANAGED CARE RULES GO FORWARD, WHICH WE VERY MUCH DOUBT THEY
7 WILL, WE HAVE A PLAN B OF HOW THE FUNDING FOR BOTH THE
8 DISPROPORTIONATE SHARE HOSPITAL PROGRAM AND THE SAFETY NET
9 POOL COULD BE COMBINED IN A DIFFERENT WAY BY THE STATE TO
10 MEDIATE ANY PROBLEMS. YOU SEE, PART OF WHAT GIVES US
11 CONFIDENCE IS THAT THE MANAGED- CARE RULES AS THEY ARE
12 ORIGINALLY DRAFTED ARE A BIGGER PROBLEM FOR THE STATE THAN
13 THEY ARE FOR US. THEIR IMPACT IS GREATER. SO IF THE ORIGINAL
14 GOT PASSED, THEY WOULD BE HIGHLY MOTIVATED TO TAKE OTHER STEPS
15 THAT THEY COULD TAKE TO COMBINE AND REDISTRIBUTE THE DOLLARS
16 UNDER THE DISPROPORTIONATE SHARE HOSPITAL PROGRAM AND THE
17 SAFETY NET CARE POOL. SO I'D SAY THAT'S STEP 1. STEP 2 IS WITH
18 ANY OF THESE PROGRAMS AT ANY ONE TIME, WHILE IT'S TRUE THAT
19 THE MANAGED CARE COULD BE WORSE THAN WHAT WE THINK IT'S GOING
20 TO BE, THIS COULD TURN OUT TO BE BETTER THAN WHAT WE THINK IT
21 CAN BE. RIGHT NOW, WE'RE ASSUMING THAT THE DISH CUT GOES
22 FORWARD AS STIPULATED IN LAW, BUT IN FACT IT HAS ALREADY BEEN
23 PUSHED DOWN THE ROAD THREE TIMES. AND I BELIEVE IT WILL BE
24 PUSHED DOWN THE ROAD A FOURTH TIME, JUST BECAUSE, AGAIN, THEY
25 WON'T BE DOING IT FOR L.A. ALONE, RIGHT? WE'RE NOT THE ONLY

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1 ONES AFFECTED BY THIS PROGRAM. BUT THERE ARE A NUMBER OF
2 PLACES IN MUCH WORSE FISCAL CONDITION THAN WE ARE WHO ARE
3 HIGHLY DEPENDENT ON THESE DOLLARS. SO IT COULD TURN OUT THAT
4 WE'RE WRONG AND THAT THE ORIGINAL GETS PASSED, ALTHOUGH I
5 DOUBT IT. IF THAT HAPPENS, WE WILL GO INTO PLAN 2 OF WORKING
6 WITH THE STATE. ALLAN WECKER, OUR C.F.O., IS WIDELY RESPECTED,
7 PROBABLY THE SMARTEST PERSON IN THE ENTIRE STATE, AND THEY SAY
8 THAT ABOUT THESE ISSUES AND HOW TO REDISTRIBUTE THE DOLLARS.

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10 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** IS THERE ANYTHING THE COUNTY NEEDS TO DO
11 KIND OF TO AT LEAST PARTIALLY PREPARE FOR WORST-CASE SCENARIO?
12 IT SOUNDS LIKE IT'S PRIMARILY ABOUT OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH THE
13 STATE, MAKING CERTAIN THAT IF THESE RULES GO THROUGH AS THEY
14 WERE WRITTEN, WHICH I UNDERSTAND YOU THINK THEY MORE THAN
15 LIKELY WILL NOT, THAT WE NEED AS A COUNTY TO DO TO PREPARE,
16 EVEN ON PAPER, WHAT YOU CALL PLAN B?

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18 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** WELL, BEYOND THE PLAN B WE HAVE, WHAT I DO
19 THINK WE COULD DO IS THERE IS STILL TREMENDOUS ROOM IN D.H.S.
20 TO PROVIDE MORE SERVICE FOR THE EXISTING DOLLARS. AND THAT'S
21 SIMPLY BECAUSE YOU CAN'T TURN AN INEFFICIENT OPERATION INTO AN
22 EFFICIENT OPERATION IN TWO YEARS OR EVEN FIVE YEARS. YOU CAN
23 ONLY MAKE PROGRESS. I THINK THAT THERE'S A NUMBER OF WAYS WE
24 COULD BRING IN SIGNIFICANTLY MORE REVENUE FROM MEDICARE, FROM
25 -- WE HAVE THE CAPACITY OF TAKING CARE OF SIGNIFICANTLY MORE

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1 MEDICAID PATIENTS THAN WE DO NOW. SO THE CHILDREN'S PROGRAM
2 OFFERS THE POSSIBILITY THAT A VARIETY OF CHILDREN WHO ARE
3 CURRENTLY IN OUR SYSTEM AS UNDOCUMENTED WILL GAIN MEDI-CAL AND
4 WILL PROVIDE A NEW SOURCE OF REVENUE FOR US. THOSE WHO ARE
5 WITH US, THOSE WHO ARE WITH THE FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH
6 CENTERS WILL CONTINUE TO BE SEEN BY THOSE CENTERS AND THERE
7 WILL BE REVENUE. SO I THINK THAT PROBABLY HAVING A FIRST-RATE
8 SYSTEM THAT IS A SYSTEM OF CHOICE AND THAT IS ECONOMICALLY
9 EFFICIENT IS THE BEST WAY TO PREPARE FOR THE FUTURE.

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11 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU.

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13 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GREAT. YES, SUPERVISOR KNABE?

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** MITCH, THE BOARD LETTER STATES THAT WE'RE
16 CURRENTLY DESIGNING A WHOLE- PERSON CARE PILOT TO QUALIFY FOR
17 THOSE, I THINK, ABOUT \$90 MILLION IN FUNDS. DO WE HAVE ANY
18 IDEA WHAT THAT PILOT MIGHT LOOK LIKE AND WHEN IT'S COMING BACK
19 TO THE BOARD?

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21 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** SURE, IT WILL COME BACK TO THE BOARD BEFORE
22 IT WILL GO TO THE STATE. BUT WE WERE -- AND WE WERE HEAVILY
23 INVOLVED BEHIND THE SCENES IN PUSHING FOR A WHOLE- PERSON
24 PILOT. AND THAT'S BECAUSE IT VERY WELL FITS WITH THIS BOARD'S
25 MISSION AROUND THE HOMELESS AND AROUND RECENTLY INCARCERATED

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1 PEOPLE, BECAUSE THE BASIC IDEA OF THE WHOLE-PERSON PILOT IS TO
2 RECOGNIZE THERE ARE SOME PEOPLE WHO HAVE A SIMPLE MEDICAL
3 NEED. THEY HAVE HYPERTENSION, THEY NEED TO GO GET THEIR
4 MEDICINE, AND ALL IS GOOD. THOSE ARE NOT THE PEOPLE WHO ARE
5 DRIVING THE HOMELESSNESS EPIDEMIC. THOSE ARE NOT THE PEOPLE
6 WHO ARE DRIVING HIGH-COST CARE. THE PEOPLE WHO ARE DRIVING
7 HIGH- COST CARE ARE IN THE VENN DIAGRAM OF MENTAL ILLNESS,
8 SUBSTANCE ABUSE, HOMELESSNESS AND RECENT INCARCERATION. THOSE
9 ARE THE PEOPLE WHO ARE LEADING TO THE TENTS ON THE STREETS,
10 WHO ARE LEADING TO THE RECIDIVISM, THEY'RE GOING IN AND OUT OF
11 JAIL, WHO ARE IN THE PSYCHIATRIC EMERGENCY ROOMS. THOSE ARE
12 THE GROUPS YOU'VE ASKED US TO WORK ON THROUGH THE AGENCY, AND
13 THAT'S WHAT THE WHOLE PERSON PILOT IS GOING TO BE ABOUT. AND
14 THE BASIC DIFFERENCE IS THAT WE WILL BE ABLE TO USE MONEY MORE
15 FLEXIBLY UNDER THAT PILOT SO THAT WE ARE PAYING FOR THOSE
16 SERVICES THAT ARE LIKELY TO HAVE THE LARGEST IMPACT ON THAT
17 GROUP, LIKE HOUSING THEM OR PROVIDING TRANSPORTATION TO
18 APPOINTMENTS, PROVIDING SUBSTANCE TREATMENT.

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20 **SUP. KNABE:** ANOTHER BIG NUMBER IS THE PRIME FUNDING. ABOUT
21 THAT \$224 MILLION. THERE APPEARS TO BE SOME VERY DIFFICULT
22 GOALS TO REACH THERE. WHAT ARE SOME OF THESE GOALS? AND WHAT
23 ARE WE TRYING TO DO TO PREPARE TO MEET THESE SOMEWHAT
24 DIFFICULT AREAS?

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1 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** WELL, THEY ARE DIFFICULT. ALTHOUGH WE DID
2 IN THE PREVIOUS WAIVER GET TO 98 PERCENT OF THE GOAL AND WE
3 GOT 98 PERCENT OF THE MONEY. SO, I MEAN -- AND THEY ARE
4 THRESHOLD GOALS, WHICH, AGAIN, WE WERE INVOLVED WITH SAYING
5 THEY SHOULD BE, THAT WE'RE NOT TRYING TO BE ON A CURVE. WE'RE
6 TRYING TO SAY THAT WE THINK WE CAN MAKE SIGNIFICANT
7 IMPROVEMENTS ON OUR H.E.T.A. SCORE. SO ALMOST ALL OF THEM WILL
8 BE THE FEDERAL H.E.T.A SCORES, WHICH ARE MOSTLY ABOUT WHETHER
9 OR NOT CRITICAL PREVENTION MEASURES HAVE BEEN TAKEN. SO,
10 MAMMOGRAMS EVERY TWO YEARS IN WOMEN OVER 50, PAP SMEARS IN
11 WOMEN WHO ARE OVER THE AGE OF 16 OR SEXUALLY ACTIVE, COLON
12 CANCER SCREENING FOR 50-YEAR-OLDS, RETINAL SCREENINGS FOR
13 DIABETICS. THERE ARE A WHOLE SET OF FEDERAL STANDARDS. WE ARE
14 GOING TO FOCUS ON, I BELIEVE, 9 OF THEM. AND WHAT THE RULES
15 REALLY REQUIRE IS THAT EACH YEAR YOU MAKE SIGNIFICANT
16 PROGRESS. NOW THAT WE HAVE O.R.C.H.I.D. RUNNING, WE SHOULD BE
17 ABLE TO MAKE THAT PROGRESS. I BELIEVE, ALTHOUGH IT'S
18 IMPOSSIBLE TO PROVE, THAT PART OF THE PROBLEM IN OUR LOUSY
19 H.E.T.A. SCORES IN THE PAST IS THAT WE HAD NO COMPUTER SYSTEM
20 TO DOCUMENT THE THINGS THAT WERE DONE. IT WAS IMPOSSIBLE TO
21 PROVE, BECAUSE THE WAY THESE THINGS ARE EVALUATED, IF YOU
22 CAN'T FIND IT IN THE CHART, IT'S ASSUMED IT WASN'T DONE. THAT
23 ISN'T NECESSARILY THE CASE. BUT NOW WE HAVE THE KIND OF
24 COMPUTER SYSTEM THAT ACTUALLY TRACKS THESE THINGS. SO IT
25 SHOULD BE POSSIBLE TO HIT THE GOALS.

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2 **SUP. KNABE:** AS IT RELATES TO THE GLOBAL PAYMENT ISSUE,
3 OBVIOUSLY ALL THESE YEARS AND FINALLY WE'RE AT A POINT WHERE
4 THEY'RE INCENTIVIZING OUTPATIENT CARE VERSUS INPATIENT, WHERE
5 WE'RE REALLY FORCED TO SORT OF PUT SOMEBODY IN THE E.R. AND
6 SAY YOU HAVE A BRAIN TUMOR INSTEAD OF A HEAD COLD AND KEEP
7 THEM OVERNIGHT AND GET PAID. IT'S GOING TO BE THE OPPOSITE.
8 OBVIOUSLY THAT SORT OF SWITCHES SOME OF THE THINGS THAT WE
9 HAVE TO DO. SO WHAT IS OUR PLAN TO MEET THAT GOAL SO THAT WE
10 GET THESE PAYMENTS ON THE GLOBAL PAYMENT PIECE?

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12 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** INCREASE IMPANELMENTS. WE STILL HAVE, AND
13 IT'S IN THE NEXT SLIDE, ALTHOUGH WE'RE PAST 450,000 PEOPLE WHO
14 WERE IMPANELED TO A PRIMARY-CARE HOME, WE STILL HAVE AT
15 L.A.C.+U.S.C. ALONE ABOUT 20,000 PEOPLE WHO ARE STILL
16 CIRCULATING THROUGH THE EMERGENCY ROOM, THE URGENT CARE. WE
17 DON'T HAVE CAPACITY YET TO IMPANEL THEM, ALTHOUGH WE WILL
18 WITHIN THREE MONTHS. BUT THE SAME IS TRUE AT OLIVE VIEW. THE
19 SAME IS TRUE AT HARBOR, WHERE WE STILL HAVE -- WE'VE BEEN
20 GROWING, BUT WE HAVEN'T GROWN SUFFICIENTLY. SO I'M PLANNING TO
21 HIRE SEVERAL MORE PHYSICIANS AND NURSE PRACTITIONERS WHO WE
22 WILL IMPANEL. OUR C.E.O. HAS BEEN VERY SUPPORTIVE, BECAUSE
23 THEY COME WITH REVENUE. I MEAN, IT'S NOT -- IT'S LIKELY THAT
24 WE WOULD BE ABLE, IF WE HIRE HIGH-QUALITY PHYSICIANS AND M.P.S
25 WE WOULD ACTUALLY LIKELY MAKE MORE MONEY THAN IT WOULD COST

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1 US. BUT THE GAME IS -- OR I SHOULDN'T CALL IT THE GAME -- THE
2 WORK IS ALL ABOUT GETTING TO ENOUGH PRIMARY CARE PROVIDERS.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR.

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6 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU ALSO, DR.
7 KATZ, FOR WHAT YOU'VE DONE IN TERMS OF THIS UPCOMING BUDGET,
8 MAKING SURE THAT WE'RE IN TARGET WITH THE O.R.C.H.I.D., WITH
9 C.O.L.A.S NURSING AND STAFFING THAT ARE INCLUDED IN THE
10 BUDGET, WHICH IS VERY GOOD. AND JUST WONDERING, BECAUSE WE ALL
11 KNOW THAT THERE WAS A LOT OF EFFORT PUT BEFORE TO GET A GOOD
12 WAIVER, 1115 WAIVER. WE KNOW WE DIDN'T GET EVERYTHING WE ASKED
13 FOR, AND THAT'S GOING CAUSE US TO RETHINK HOW WE MEET THOSE
14 NEEDS IN THOSE OUTER YEARS. SO, WHAT ARE SOME OF YOUR IDEAS OF
15 HOW WE CAN MITIGATE SOME OF THOSE IMPACTS? IT WILL HAVE AN
16 EFFECT ON OUR FACILITIES.

17

18 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** RIGHT. WELL THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. THERE
19 ARE A NUMBER OF OPPORTUNITIES THAT WE HAVE FOR THE OUTER YEARS
20 THAT WE HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO DO IN THE PAST YEARS JUST BECAUSE
21 WE'VE BEEN BUSY STABILIZING THE SYSTEM. THE BEST EXAMPLE OF
22 WHAT WE COULD DO IS, HISTORICALLY D.H.S. HAS A VERY SMALL
23 SLICE OF MEDICARE. MEDICARE IS NOT ONLY A GOOD PAYER, BUT MORE
24 IMPORTANTLY, G.M.E. RESIDENTS ARE PAID ON THE BASIS OF HOW
25 MUCH MEDICARE YOU HAVE, SO MUCH SO THAT IN THE VERNACULAR

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1 HOSPITALS OFTEN REFER TO RESIDENTS AS CASH COWS, BECAUSE UNDER
2 THE FEDERAL RULES, HOSPITALS WITH LARGE AMOUNTS OF MEDICARE
3 WILL OFTEN GET PAID MORE PER RESIDENT THAN THE RESIDENT
4 ACTUALLY COSTS THEM. SO THERE'S INCREDIBLE INCENTIVE. AND IT'S
5 ONLY HISTORIC. IT WAS JUST A DECISION BY CONGRESS THAT THE WAY
6 RESIDENCY PROGRAM WOULD BE PAID FOR WAS THROUGH THE MEDICARE
7 PROGRAM, PROBABLY BECAUSE MEDICARE HAS SO MUCH SUPPORT. SO
8 CONGRESS CHOSE THAT AS THE METHOD. BUT IT HASN'T BEEN GOOD FOR
9 D.H.S. D.H.S. IS AN ORGANIZATION WITH TWO ROBUST MEDICAL
10 SCHOOL AFFILIATIONS AND A LOT OF RESIDENTS BUT ALMOST NO
11 MEDICARE. SO WE RECEIVE ALMOST NO REIMBURSEMENTS FOR OUR
12 RESIDENTS. SO THAT IS A FIXABLE PROBLEM. WHAT IT REQUIRES IS
13 HAVING, FOR EXAMPLE, GERIATRICS CLINICS. I'M SURE, MADAME
14 CHAIR, YOU SAW IN THE "NEW YORK TIMES," THERE'S AN ARTICLE
15 ABOUT WHAT A SHORTAGE THERE IS OF GERIATRIC PROVIDERS. WELL,
16 WE'RE AN IDEAL PLACE TO SET UP GERIATRIC PROVIDERS. YOU HAVE
17 TO BE CUSTOMER-FRIENDLY. YOU MIGHT WANT TO SEND OUT VANS TO
18 BRING PEOPLE IN, TO DO MORE THAN WHAT YOU WOULD NORMALLY DO,
19 BUT YOU WOULD GET PAID WELL IN EXCESS OF WHAT IT WOULD COST
20 YOU, BECAUSE IT WOULD FEED THE RESIDENCY PROGRAMS. SO WE HAVE
21 DR. CHRISTINA GHALY, AND WE HAVE A WHOLE LIST OF THINGS THAT
22 NOW THAT WE FEEL WE HAVE THIS WINDOW OF STABILITY WHERE WE
23 DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT, OH, MY GOODNESS, WE HAVE TO SOLVE
24 THIS \$100-MILLION DEFICIT, THAT THESE ARE THE YEARS WHERE WE
25 DEAL WITH THESE KIND OF STRUCTURAL ISSUES.

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2 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THAT SOUNDS REALLY GOOD. OBVIOUSLY IT'S
3 GOING TO CREATE A SENSE OF COMPETITION BETWEEN OTHERS THAT ARE
4 OUT THERE DOING THE VERY SAME THING THAT YOU'RE SAYING THAT IS
5 DONE OUT BY THE NONPROFIT SECTOR. SO HERE AGAIN WE HAVE TO
6 REALLY BE ON OUR GAME ABOUT GOING AFTER THESE FOLKS, AND I
7 WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORT THAT. JUST ONE LAST THING. CONCERNED
8 ABOUT MY HEALTH L.A. AND AS WE MOVE FORWARD, WE KNOW THERE'S
9 BEEN SOME STATE CHANGES IN LAW TO COVER YOUNGSTERS IN THAT
10 CATEGORY. BUT HOW ARE WE GOING TO HELP STABILIZE THE PROGRAM
11 AND HOPEFULLY BE ABLE TO DO A BETTER JOB WITH GETTING PEOPLE
12 ENROLLED IN THE PROGRAM AND GIVING THEM THAT SERVICE?

13

14 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** WELL, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. BECAUSE OF
15 SOME OF THE CHANGES THAT YOU HELPED TO SHEPHERD, ENROLLMENT IS
16 OVERALL UP. WE'RE ACTUALLY VERY CLOSE TO THE MAGIC 146 AT THE
17 MOMENT AND GROWING. THE 10,000 CHILDREN WHO ARE CURRENTLY IN
18 THE MY HEALTH L.A. PROGRAM WILL TRANSITION TO MEDICAID. WE
19 THINK THAT IT'S GOING TO HAPPEN IN MAY. IT'S THE STATE THAT
20 WILL MAKE THE CHANGE ON THE COMPUTER SYSTEM. THE GOOD THING
21 FOR THOSE FAMILIES IS THE KIDS GET TO STAY WHERE THEY ARE. ALL
22 OF THE F.Q.H.S. ARE ABLE TO TAKE MEDICAID SO THAT THE CHANGE
23 SHOULD BE SEAMLESS FOR THOSE CHILDREN AND THOSE FAMILIES. AND
24 WE'RE ALREADY WORKING WITH THE F.Q.H.C.S. TO SUGGEST WAYS THAT

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1 THEY COULD MAKE THAT HAPPEN MORE EASILY FOR THEM AND FOR THE
2 CHILDREN.

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4 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WOULD THAT REQUIRE, DR. KATZ, ANOTHER RE-
5 ENROLLMENT APPLICATION, OR CAN YOU JUST --

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7 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** NO, THE STATE -- MY UNDERSTANDING IS THE
8 STATE IS MAKING THE CHANGE. WHAT WE CAN DO TO HELP IS TO PRE-
9 ENROLL THEM IN LIMITED-SCOPE MEDI-CAL, AND THAT WILL THEN TURN
10 INTO FULL-SCOPE MEDI-CAL WHEN THE STATE TURNS THE COMPUTER ON
11 IN MAY. SO WE WANT TO MAKE THAT AS SMOOTH AS POSSIBLE. BEYOND
12 THAT, I THINK THAT ONCE THAT HAPPENS, WE AGAIN -- YOUR BOARD
13 HAD SUGGESTED A VARIETY OF THINGS THAT INCLUDE LOOKING AT
14 WHETHER WE WANT TO RAISE THE INCOME. AS YOU AND I KNOW, BEING
15 AT 120 PERCENT OF POVERTY IN LOS ANGELES DOES NOT ALLOW YOU TO
16 PAY YOUR BILLS. SO THERE IS ROOM TO LOOK AT THE ECONOMIC
17 SCALE. THERE'S ROOM TO LOOK AT OTHER RELATED SERVICES,
18 SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES AND DENTAL SERVICES, WHERE WE KNOW
19 THAT THERE ARE LARGE UNMET NEEDS. SO WE'RE WATCHING WHAT THE
20 CHANGES THAT YOU AND YOUR COLLEAGUES SHEPHERDED AND BROUGHT IN
21 TERMS OF ENROLLMENTS. AND THEN WE HOPE TO BRING YOU A PACKAGE
22 OF ADDITIONAL ENROLLMENT IDEAS.

23

24 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GREAT, THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

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1 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** DOCTOR, BASED UPON WHAT YOU ALREADY
2 KNOW, WHAT ARE THE PLANS GOING FORWARD FOR THE 2017, 2018
3 YEAR?

4

5 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** NEXT THREE YEARS, WE'RE ALL SET. I'LL BE
6 ABLE TO BRING YOU BALANCED BUDGETS, NO DEFICITS. WHAT I NEED
7 TO DO FOR THE OUT YEARS, MR. SUPERVISOR, IS TO DEVELOP
8 ADDITIONAL SOURCES OF REVENUE IN CASE THERE ARE DECREASES IN
9 THE DISPROPORTIONATE SHARE HOSPITAL PROGRAM OR THERE IS NO
10 SUCCESSOR TO THE WAIVER.

11

12 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** AND WHEN DO YOU EXPECT A DECISION ON
13 THE MANAGED CARE ISSUE TO BE ISSUED?

14

15 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** COULD BE ANY WEEK NOW. I WOULD PREDICT
16 SOMETIME APRIL.

17

18 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

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20 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** THANK YOU.

21

22 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. WE HAVE SEVERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.
23 THANK YOU, DR. KATZ.

24

25 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** THANK YOU.

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2 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE HAVE DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL, WAYNE FROM
3 ENCINO, ARNOLD SACHS, AND ERIC PREVEN.

4

5 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU, IT IS ERIC PREVEN. AND THANKS TO DR.
6 KATZ, WHO IS REALLY A TRIPLE-CROWN WEARING GUY. THIS IS THE
7 GUY WHO IS RUNNING ALL THREE AGENCIES, SO THIS IS VERY
8 IMPRESSIVE, AND WE APPRECIATE HIS TAKING THE TIME TO COME DOWN
9 TODAY AND GIVE THAT REPORT, OBVIOUSLY. I HAVE JUST A COUPLE OF
10 NOTES. THIS IS ONE OF THE WORST 1115 WAIVERS I'VE EVER SEEN,
11 IF I MAY. SUPERVISOR KUEHL? OH, YEAH. YOU'RE CONSULTING WITH
12 YOUR GUY. FAIR ENOUGH. THAT SEEMS REASONABLE. NO, I'M NOT OFF-
13 POINT. THANK YOU. TODAY THE L.A. CARES OPERATION AND THE L.A.
14 FIRST ARE TWO OF THE LITTLE DISTRIBUTORS THAT WE DEAL WITH.
15 AND I JUST WANT TO BRING TO YOUR ATTENTION UNDER THE CATEGORY
16 OF QUALITY ASSURANCE ONE OF THE LEAST OF OUR CONCERNS ARE
17 DOING A TERRIBLE JOB. YOU CANNOT GET A SIMPLE RECORD FROM
18 THEM. THEY STACK THEM UP. BUT NEVERTHELESS, IF THERE IS AN
19 EMERGENCY, I THINK THE CLINIC IS WORKING WELL. I TESTED IT.
20 ANOTHER POINT, MAYOR ANTONOVICH, AND I DON'T KNOW IF YOU'VE
21 CHECKED WITH PUBLIC WORKS ON THIS, THEIR BIG COLORADO
22 INDIVIDUALS, THERE'S A FIRM FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE REALLY IN THE
23 NET WHO GET, FOR EXAMPLE, A BILL FOR -- THEY GO IN BECAUSE
24 THEY HAVE A STOMACH PAIN. THEY'RE KEPT IN THE HOSPITAL FOR A
25 LONG PERIOD OF TIME TO GET THEIR FEES UP, AND THEN THEY HAVE A

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1 SURGERY, AND UNFORTUNATELY WHAT'S GENERATED IS SORT OF A
2 \$35,000 BILL. NOW THIS PERSON IS IN THE NET, SO THEY HAVE NO
3 MONEY. THE GOOD NEWS IS THAT WE SEND A COLLECTION AGENCY AFTER
4 THEM FROM COLORADO. NOW, THESE GUYS ARE VERY NICE. IF THEY CAN
5 CATCH YOU OR FIND YOU, THEY DO WORK WITH YOU TO LOWER THE
6 PAYMENT. AND THE PEOPLE WHO ARE WILLING TO MAKE JUST EVEN A
7 SMALL PAYMENT ARE GOING TO HELP WITH THAT. BUT THE ESCALATING
8 CHARGE IS WEIRD. IT IS JUST WEIRD, BECAUSE PEOPLE DON'T THINK
9 THAT THAT'S WHAT THE NET IS. AND I THINK THAT THEY SHOULD KNOW
10 AND WE SHOULD WORK ON THAT. I WAS VERY INTERESTED BY THE
11 CONGRESS AND THAT MEDICARE RESIDENT COVERAGE WHERE THEY PAY
12 FOR -- SO I THINK DEFINITELY WE SHOULD TUNE UP THE -- GET THE
13 GERIATRIC VANS OUT AND GET SOME OF THAT, COLLECT A LITTLE MORE
14 IF WE CAN, BECAUSE THAT IS WHAT IT'S ALL ABOUT, LET'S AGREE.
15 AND NOW, YOU'RE ON YOUR WAY TO WASHINGTON. I'D LIKE TO MAKE A
16 P.R.A. FOR THE EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF THE AGENDA FOR THAT
17 MEETING. HAVE A TERRIFIC TRIP. IT'S NOT IMMEDIATE, IS IT?
18 SOON. BUT THANK YOU FOR THAT GREAT REPORT. AND THERE WAS NO
19 SLIDE. HE WAS REFERRING TO A SLIDE, BUT THERE IS NO SLIDE
20 SHOW. THAT MAY JUST BE ME. THANKS.

21

22 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WAYNE? GO AHEAD, WAYNE.

23

24 **WAYNE SPINDLER:** YES. THE KEY WORDS "WE NEED TO RAISE MORE
25 REVENUE." DID YOU CATCH THAT AT THE END? YES, YOU ALWAYS NEED

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1 TO RAISE MORE REVENUE. I THOUGHT WE HAD THIS ALL FIGURED OUT.
2 OBAMACARE, THE BIG FIX. WE'RE STILL BROKE. NOW WE DON'T WANT
3 TO CALL IT OBAMACARE. NOW WE WANT EVERYBODY IN S.S.I., WHERE
4 DID ALL THAT S.S.I.MONEY COME FROM? GO BACK TO 2000 WHEN
5 GEORGE W. BUSH STOLE THE ELECTION FROM AL GORE. HE CALLED IT
6 THE LOCK BOX. YES, THE LOCK BOX.

7

8 **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** SIR, YOU'RE OFF TOPIC.

9

10 **WAYNE SPINDLER:** OF COURSE I'M OFF TOPIC, BECAUSE I'M SPEAKING
11 ABOUT RATIONAL ISSUES ABOUT S.S.I. AND MEDICARE. STOP CUTTING
12 ME OFF ON THESE THINGS.

13

14 **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** IF YOU STAY ON TOPIC, WE WON'T.

15

16 **WAYNE SPINDLER:** YOU KNOW, YOU'VE GOT TO CONTROL THE PITBULL,
17 OKAY? NOW, THE LOCK BOX WAS THE FUNDING FOR S.S.I. AND SOCIAL
18 SECURITY, BUT IT'S BANKRUPT. SO BY 2034, YOU'RE INTO YOUR
19 SOCIAL SECURITY AND THEN YOUR S.S.I. IS BANKRUPT. SO WHAT ARE
20 YOU GOING TO DO? HE SAID YOU NEED MORE MONEY. HOW DO YOU GET
21 MORE MONEY? YOU RAISE TAXES. THAT'S WHAT YOU'RE GOING TO DO.
22 YOU GOT TO RAISE TAXES, BECAUSE YOU DON'T HAVE ENOUGH MONEY TO
23 FUND THIS BANKRUPT THING THAT YOU'RE DOING. AND THEN YOU WANT
24 TO INVITE MORE PEOPLE THAT ARE POOR INTO THE STATE AND CHASE
25 THE ONES THAT CAN MAKE MONEY OUT OF THE STATE. IT'S THE SAME

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1 THING, OVER AND OVER AGAIN. MIKE ANTONOVICH'S WEBSITE USED TO
2 BE FULL OF THESE STATISTICS. HE TOLD YOU. HE'S BEEN TELLING
3 YOU FOR 30 YEARS. THE MAN IS WISE, BUT YOU'RE NOT GOING TO
4 LISTEN TO HIM. SO LET'S BANKRUPT THE COUNTY. LET'S GET IT OVER
5 WITH.

6

7 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** DR. CLAVREUL?

8

9 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
10 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. SO TIRED, I CAN'T EVEN SPEAK. I THINK
11 IT'S VERY GOOD THAT SUPERVISOR KUEHL BROUGHT THE ISSUE ON NOT
12 ONLY WE GET THE GOOD NEWS BUT SOMETIMES THE BAD NEWS. AND YOU
13 KNOW WHEN YOU DO A BUSINESS PLAN IN BUSINESS, YOU ALWAYS HAVE
14 THE BEST-CASE SCENARIO, THE NOT-SO-GOOD-CASE SCENARIO, AND THE
15 WORST-CASE SCENARIO. ONE THING HERE WE ALMOST NEVER GET IS THE
16 WORST-CASE SCENARIO. AND NOT ONLY THAT, WE GET A GOOD-CASE
17 SCENARIO WITH A LOT OF WRONG INFORMATION IN IT. AND THAT ONE
18 THING, YOU KNOW, I HAVE ALWAYS BROUGHT TO YOUR ATTENTION,
19 REALLY LOOK AND DO DUE DILIGENCE. I THINK ON THE ISSUE OF THAT
20 SUPPOSED HEALTH-INTEGRATION AGENCY, I THINK WE SHOULD DO SOME
21 AUDIT, SEE HOW MUCH MONEY WE HAVE SPENT SINCE JANUARY 2013 AND
22 ACTUALLY HOW MUCH WORK HAS BEEN DONE. YOU KNOW IN LANCASTER IN
23 PARTICULAR WE STILL HAVE NO DOCTOR AND NO NURSES TO TAKE CARE
24 OF A BROKEN LEG OR BROKEN ARM. YOU KNOW, TO ME, THAT'S A BIG
25 ISSUE. AND LIKE I SAID EARLIER TODAY. THEY ARE FIGHTING OVER A

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1 DOCTOR, WHICH GROUP IS GOING TO HAVE A DOCTOR. IT DOES NOT
2 WORK. AND I THINK EVERY DAY WE ARE, EVERY WEEK WE'RE GETTING
3 "OH, EVERYTHING IS WONDERFUL." YOU KNOW, I AM NOT A PERSON WHO
4 ALWAYS LIKE TO LOOK AT THE WORST. I LIKE TO BE FAIR AND LOOK
5 AT EVERYTHING AND MAKE A DECISION. BUT MOST OF THE TIME, FIRST
6 OF ALL, WE DO NOT GET THE ACCURATE INFORMATION TO MAKE A
7 DECISION. AND YOU ARE SO IN TUNED TO ALWAYS WONDERFUL, HOW
8 EVERYTHING IS WONDERFUL AND SO ON. IT'S LIKE WE'RE LIVING IN
9 MIRAGE IN A PLACE THAT DON'T EXIST. THAT'S OF CONCERN TO ME,
10 BECAUSE IT WILL CRACK. THANK YOU.

11

12 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS.
13 AND IT'S FASCINATING SOMEWHAT. I APPRECIATE THE DOCTOR'S
14 REPORT. BUT THE ITEM BEFORE, YOUR ECONOMIC RECOVERY MOTION,
15 NOW THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT MADE A MOTION. THAT'S A RECOVERY. I
16 BELIEVE 2008 THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT LOST \$300 MILLION THAT WAS
17 FUNDED -- USED THE FEDERAL FUNDS, BECAUSE THE DOCTOR MENTIONED
18 SOMETHING ABOUT FEDERAL FUNDS, FOR M.L.K. HOSPITAL, THE TRAUMA
19 CENTER. CLOSED DOWN, LOST THE MONEY, BECAUSE YOU COULDN'T KEEP
20 THE CARE UP. AND NOW, LESS THAN 10 YEARS LATER, YOU'RE GOING
21 TO HAVE THREE YEARS OF BALANCED BUDGETS. THAT'S A RECOVERY.
22 HOW DID YOU MANAGE TO SURVIVE ON LOSING \$300 MILLION FROM THE
23 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND TURN AROUND TO HAVE BALANCED BUDGETS?
24 I'D JUST LIKE TO KNOW HOW THAT PROGRAM IS, YOU KNOW, WHAT THE
25 NUTS AND BOLTS OF THAT PROGRAM IS. WORST FISCAL POSITION? I

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1 MENTIONED I DON'T UNDERSTAND, BECAUSE YOU HAVE A DEBT OF \$47
2 BILLION. BETWEEN THE TWO DEBT PAYMENTS THAT WERE DISCUSSED,
3 THE \$20 BILLION AND THE \$27 BILLION. THAT'S \$47 BILLION OF
4 UNFUNDED PAYMENTS. BUT HE WAS RIGHT. THE COUNTY WILL SURVIVE,
5 BECAUSE IT'S TOO BIG. IT'S NOT LIKE G.M., WHICH AT ONE TIME
6 SAID WHAT'S GOOD FOR G.M. IS GOOD FOR THE COUNTRY. IT'S BIGGER
7 THAN G.M. AND AS LONG AS YOU KEEP GETTING MONEY FROM THE
8 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WITH THESE PHONY PROMISES THAT YOU MAKE AND
9 THIS WONDERFUL IDYLIC OUTLOOK WITH, OH, I DON'T KNOW, 50,000
10 PEOPLE NEEDING AFFORDABLE HOUSING, A POVERTY RATE AT 27
11 PERCENT, LOW INCOME, THINGS WILL BE WONDERFUL.

12

13 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** TIME IS EXPIRED.

14

15 **ARNOLD SACHS:** MORE DRUGS.

16

17 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MEMBERS, THIS IS RECEIVE AND FILE. SO
18 WITHOUT OBJECTION, WE WILL ACCEPT THAT. NOW WE'RE GOING TO
19 MOVE ON TO ITEM R-3, AGAIN DR. MITCH KATZ, DR. CYNTHIA HARDING
20 FROM DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, AND DR. ROBIN KAY,
21 DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, AND SHARON SPILLER, D.P.S.S. AND
22 WE HAVE A POWERPOINT PRESENTATION.

23

24 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** MADAME CHAIR, I'M VERY PLEASED TO BE HERE
25 WITH TWO TERRIFIC DEPARTMENT HEADS AND A THIRD, OUR SISTER

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1 DEPARTMENTS, DIRECTOR SHERYL SPILLER, TO GIVE YOU A STATUS
2 REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE A.C.A. WE ARE TWO YEARS
3 AFTER THE EXPANSION AND WE ARE WORKING CLOSELY TOGETHER AND
4 HAVING A LOT OF SUCCESS. WHEN THE SLIDE COMES ON, WE'RE GOING
5 TO START WITH OUTREACH AND ENROLLMENTS, WHICH IS BEING
6 SHEPHERDED BY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND CYNTHIA HARDING.

7

8 **CYNTHIA HARDING:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. SO, BRIEF, I'VE
9 SPOKEN TO YOU BEFORE ABOUT THESE GRANTS WE'VE GOT FROM THE
10 STATE TO SUPPORT OUR EFFORTS IN MEDI-CAL OUTREACH AND
11 ENROLLMENT, IN PARTICULAR, A \$7 MILLION GRANT WHICH WE
12 RECEIVED, AND IT'S A COLLABORATIVE BETWEEN FIVE COUNTY
13 DEPARTMENTS, INCLUDING THE FOUR THAT YOU SEE UP HERE AND
14 ADDING THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. AND THESE NEXT COUPLE OF
15 SLIDES WILL DETAIL SOME OF OUR PROGRESS IN THAT GRANT. IN
16 PARTICULAR, I ALSO WANTED TO MENTION THAT THE LAST TIME I
17 PRESENTED TO YOU, I TALKED ABOUT THE FACT THAT WE HAD
18 REQUESTED A NO-COST EXTENSION FROM THE STATE FOR THIS FUNDING,
19 AND THAT HAS BEEN GRANTED. THE FUNDING AT A NO-COST EXTENSION
20 WILL GO THROUGH JUNE OF 2018. AND THERE'S A POSSIBILITY IN
21 JUNE WE'LL FIND OUT WHETHER THERE WILL BE ADDITIONAL FUNDING
22 FOR US IN THIS WORK. ON THIS SLIDE, YOU CAN SEE THAT WE HAVE
23 DONE OUTREACH CONTACTS WITH OVER 180,000 PEOPLE. THAT'S 175
24 PERCENT OF OUR PROJECT GOALS. SO WE'VE MADE INCREDIBLE
25 PROGRESS IN OUR OUTREACH CONTACTS. THIS NEXT SLIDE SUMMARIZES

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1 OUR WORK IN TERMS OF ENROLLMENT. AND WE HAVE ASSISTED OVER
2 17,000 CLIENTS WITH MEDICAL ENROLLMENT. I MEAN, OVER 24,000,
3 AND 17,000 OF THOSE HAVE BEEN ACTUALLY ENROLLED. THAT'S ALMOST
4 70 PERCENT OF OUR PROJECT GOAL. AND WE ARE ON TRACK TO ACHIEVE
5 THAT GOAL BY THE NEXT PRESENTATION TO YOUR BOARD. WE ALSO GOT
6 ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR MEDI-CAL RENEWAL ASSISTANCE, AND THIS
7 FUNDING GOING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH'S
8 CONTRACTORS, THROUGH OUR MATERNAL, CHILD AND ADOLESCENT HEALTH
9 PROGRAM. AND IT'S A NETWORK OF CONTRACTORS ACROSS THE COUNTY.
10 AND TO DATE THEY HAVE ASSISTED OVER 4,000 PEOPLE WITH MEDI-CAL
11 RENEWALS. MANY OF THE CLIENTS THAT THEY HAVE BEEN ASSISTING
12 WILL COME UP FOR RENEWAL IN THE SPRING, SO WE ANTICIPATE AT
13 OUR NEXT PRESENTATION TO SHOW A MARKED IMPROVEMENT IN THIS
14 AREA, AS WELL. THAT FUNDING HAS ALSO BEEN EXTENDED THROUGH
15 JUNE OF 2018, WHICH IS AN ADDITIONAL 18-MONTH EXTENSION. AND
16 WE ALSO ANTICIPATE POSSIBLE FUNDING FROM THE STATE TO INCREASE
17 OUR WORK IN THIS AREA.

18

19 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** SO YOU'LL REMEMBER, SUPERVISORS, THAT THE
20 CENTRAL QUESTION WAS OF MANAGED CARE AND THE A.C.A., WOULD
21 PEOPLE KEEP COMING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES ONCE
22 THEY HAD CHOICE AND COULD GO WHEREVER THEY WANTED? WE ARE NOW
23 UP TO ENROLLMENT OF 324,000. SO WE'VE INCREASED ENROLLMENT BY
24 14,000 FROM OUR LAST REPORT TO YOU. SIMILAR DEMOGRAPHICS FOR
25 THAT GROUP. ON THE NEXT SLIDE IS MY HEALTH L.A. ENROLLMENTS.

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1 AS I MENTIONED TO YOU, WE ARE, THANKS TO YOU FOR SUPPORTING A
2 VARIETY OF CHANGES, ENROLLMENT IS UP. WE ARE NOW AT 137,598
3 FROM 131,000 THE LAST TIME WE PRESENTED THIS DATA FOR YOU.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE:** MITCH, CAN I JUST INTERRUPT? ON THAT LAST SLIDE,
6 WEREN'T WE AT LIKE 130,000 OUT OF THE CHUTE? I MEAN, WE'VE
7 ONLY BUMPED IT A SMALL AMOUNT, RIGHT? DIDN'T WE HAVE LIKE --

8

9 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** NOT FOR MY HEALTH L.A., SIR? DID YOU MEAN
10 FOR MEDICAID?

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** FOR MY HEALTH L.A.

13

14 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** WELL, I GUESS IT DEPENDS ON HOW YOU THINK
15 ABOUT IT. REMEMBER, WE USED TO HAVE A PROGRAM WHICH PAID BY
16 VISIT.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** RIGHT.

19

20 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** AND PEOPLE HAD NO CARE, NO HOME, AND WE
21 PAID PER VISIT. SO WE TOOK THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF MONEY THAT WAS
22 BEING SPENT, WE DIVIDED BY THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO WHO WERE
23 IN IT ON DUPLICATED 146 TO DEVELOP OUR PER-MEMBER-PER-MONTH.
24 BUT THERE ARE LIKELY MANY FEWER THAN THE ORIGINAL POOL,
25 BECAUSE MANY OF THOSE PEOPLE WOULD HAVE GOTTEN MEDICAID.

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2 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY. SO, THEY ROLLED OUT OF THE ONE PROGRAM BACK
3 TO THE OTHER?

4

5 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** CORRECT.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY, THANK YOU.

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9 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** SURE, THANK YOU. COVERED CALIFORNIA, JUST
10 TO SORT OF FILL YOU IN ON THE STATE PROCESS, SIGNED UP MORE
11 THAN 430,000 CONSUMERS DURING THE MOST RECENT -- I'M SORRY.
12 I'M ONE SLIDE BEHIND -- DURING THE MOST RECENT ENROLLMENTS.
13 AND THEY ARE NOW OFFERING THE OPTION OF DENTAL COVERAGE AND
14 PEDIATRIC DENTAL BENEFITS, AS WELL. MOVING ON TO HOW WE'RE
15 DOING, WE WERE TALKING IN THE PREVIOUS PRESENTATION THAT THE
16 SUCCESS OF D.H.S -- AND SUPERVISOR KNABE REFERRED TO WHAT I
17 THINK OF AS THE OLD DAYS, WHAT WAS REFERRED TO AS THE HEAD ON
18 THE BED, OR CONTRARY TO EVERY OTHER INSTITUTION, WHEN YOU
19 CALLED US, WE SAID, "GO TO THE EMERGENCY ROOM." DURING A TIME
20 WHEN EVERYBODY ELSE SAID GO TO YOUR PRIMARY CARE DOCTOR, WE
21 SAID GO TO THE EMERGENCY ROOM. WELL, THAT IS NO LONGER TRUE.
22 WE'RE UP TO 443,000 PEOPLE IMPANELED IN A SPECIFIC HOME, WITH
23 MOST OF THEM BEING IMPANELED IN THE AMBULATORY CARE. BUT WE'RE
24 NOT YET THERE. I THINK THERE PROBABLY ARE ABOUT 50,000 PEOPLE
25 IN THE SYSTEM WHO CONTINUE TO BOUNCE UNPRODUCTIVELY THROUGH

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1 OUR SYSTEM. AND WE ARE GOING TO GET THEM IMPANELED BY JUNE
2 30TH. E-CONSULT CONTINUES TO AMAZE PEOPLE. WE GET, WHILE WE'RE
3 ON THE SUBJECT OF E-CONSULTS, WE GET CALLS FROM ALL AROUND THE
4 COUNTRY, THE MOST RECENT ONE FROM NEW YORK, WHICH IS
5 STRUGGLING WITH HUGE DEFICITS, TRYING TO FIGURE OUT HOW
6 THEY'RE GOING TO ERASE THEIR DEFICIT AND WANTING TO KNOW AND
7 GET THE BASIC PROTOCOLS FOR OUR E-CONSULT SYSTEM. WE ARE NOW
8 DOING 13,000 E-CONSULTS A MONTH, AND WE CONTINUE TO ADD NEW
9 SPECIALTIES TO IT. NOW I WANT TO INTRODUCE DR. KAY TO TALK
10 ABOUT THE ROLE OF E-CONSULT IN BRIDGING MENTAL HEALTH AND
11 PHYSICAL HEALTH NEEDS.

12

13 **DR. ROBIN KAY:** THANK YOU, DR. KATZ. SO IT'S A PERFECT SEGUE,
14 BECAUSE ONE OF THE AREAS IN WHICH E-CONSULT HAS ROLLED OUT IS
15 TO PSYCHIATRY AS A SPECIALTY. AND THROUGH THIS PROGRAM, WE'RE
16 INTEGRATING THE D.H.S. PRIMARY CARE PROVIDERS WITH OUR -- WITH
17 AN ABILITY TO ACCESS MENTAL HEALTH APPOINTMENTS THROUGH OUR
18 D.M.H. ACCESS FACILITY. SO THE CALL ORIGINATES IN D.H.S.,
19 COMES TO OUR ACCESS CENTER. THEY'RE ABLE TO LINK THE
20 PHYSICIAN, THE CLIENT, AND THE DEPARTMENT ON THE PHONE AT THE
21 SAME TIME TO GIVE PEOPLE A REALTIME APPOINTMENT, URGENT
22 APPOINTMENTS WITHIN FIVE BUSINESS DAYS AND ROUTINE
23 APPOINTMENTS WITHIN 15 BUSINESS DAYS, ALTHOUGH IN MOST CASES
24 WE GREATLY EXCEED THOSE TIMELINES. MORE EXPANSION ON THE
25 HEALTH NEIGHBORHOOD SIDE. THAT IDEA HAS REALLY TAKEN OFF. AND

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1 SO WE'VE BEEN JOINED IN THOSE HEALTH NEIGHBORHOODS, WHICH WERE
2 ORIGINALLY PARTNERSHIPS BETWEEN PRIMARY CARE, MENTAL HEALTH
3 AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE BY FAITH-BASED GROUPS, HOSPITALS IN THE
4 LOCAL COMMUNITIES THAT ARE COMING TO THESE MEETINGS, SCHOOL
5 DISTRICTS, HOMELESS SERVICES, OTHER COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES,
6 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICE PROVIDERS THAT ARE MEETING IN GROUPS
7 IN ORDER TO IMPROVE ACCESS TO CARE FOR THE CLIENTS THAT WE
8 JOINTLY SERVE. WE STARTED OUT WITH SEVEN HEALTH NEIGHBORHOODS.
9 THE LAST TIME I SPOKE, I TALKED ABOUT ANTELOPE VALLEY,
10 PACOIMA, BOYLE HEIGHTS, EL MONTE, SOUTHEAST L.A., CENTRAL LONG
11 BEACH AND M.L.K.-WATTS-WILLOWBROOK. AT THE CLOSE, A COUPLE OF
12 THE CALENDAR YEAR, WE ADDED MAR VISTA, AND WE ARE NOW WORKING
13 ON TWO ADDITIONAL HEALTH NEIGHBORHOODS, ONE IN HOLLYWOOD AND
14 THE PICO-ROBERTSON AREA. I SHOULD ALSO MENTION THAT WE
15 INITIALLY HAD DONE A TRAINING VIDEO TO PREPARE OUR STAFF AND
16 THE STAFF OF S.A.P.S.Y. FOR WORKING WITH PRIMARY CARE. IT WAS
17 FOCUSED ON THE CHRONIC MEDICAL ISSUES FACED BY ADULTS. BUT WE
18 ARE -- LATER THIS SPRING, WE WILL BE ROLLING OUT A VIDEO THAT
19 EDUCATES PEOPLE, MENTAL-HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE-ABUSE PROVIDERS,
20 ABOUT THE COMMON MEDICAL ISSUES FACED BY CHILDREN SO THAT OUR
21 CHILDREN'S CLINICIANS CAN WORK MORE EFFECTIVELY WITH
22 PEDIATRICIANS, AS WELL. ONE OF THE PROJECTS THAT WE'VE BEEN
23 WORKING ON ALONG WITH BOTH PUBLIC HEALTH AND D.H.S. IS THE CO-
24 LOCATION OF STAFF AT THE MEDICAL HUBS. WE HAVE MADE GREAT
25 PROGRESS IN BRINGING D.M.H. CLINICIANS INTO THE MEDICAL HUBS.

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1 WE'RE NOW AT THE M.L.K. HUB. WE STARTED IN NOVEMBER WITH TWO
2 CLINICIANS AT THE OLIVE VIEW HUB. AND WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF
3 COMPLETING OUR STAFFING AT THE HIGH DESERT HUB. OF COURSE, WE
4 HAVE OTHER MEDICAL HUBS, BUT THEY ARE OFTEN RUN BY MENTAL
5 HEALTH ORGANIZATIONS, FOR EXAMPLE, CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL. AND
6 THEN, ALSO IN THE AREA OF INTEGRATED CARE, A REPORT ON OUR CO-
7 LOCATION OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES AT OUR MENTAL HEALTH
8 URGENT CARE CENTERS. WE HAVE CURRENTLY SUBSTANCE-ABUSE
9 PROVIDERS IN OLIVE VIEW AT THE EXODUS FACILITY ON THE EAST
10 SIDE, AND WE WILL SOON HAVE A SUBSTANCE-ABUSE STAFF PERSON AT
11 THE M.L.K. URGENT CARE CENTER. SO WE MADE GREAT STRIDES IN
12 INTEGRATING SERVICES THERE, AS WELL. SO JUST A BRIEF UPDATE ON
13 THE SUBSTANCE-USE DISORDER TREATMENT AND OUR EFFORTS TO WORK
14 WITH THE DRUG MEDI-CAL ORGANIZED DELIVERY SYSTEM OF CARE AND
15 TO IMPLEMENT THAT HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, WE ARE HITTING
16 THE MILESTONES THAT WE PRESENTED TO YOUR BOARD IN THE PAST.
17 THIS FEBRUARY, WE SUBMITTED A PLAN TO THE STATE ON HOW WE
18 WOULD PARTICIPATE IN THE DRUG MEDI-CAL WAIVER. WE'VE LAUNCHED
19 SIX STAKEHOLDER WORKGROUPS TO DEVELOP OPERATIONAL PLANS FOR
20 THAT. AND THEN IN MARCH, WE ARE WORKING TO SUBMIT RATES FOR
21 THE SERVICES. AND WHAT'S SO CRITICAL ABOUT THE MEDI-CAL WAIVER
22 IS THAT IT EXPANDS THE POPULATION THAT WILL BE ABLE TO HAVE
23 ACCESS TO THESE SUBSTANCE-USE TREATMENT SERVICES AS WELL AS
24 THE SPECTRUM OF SERVICES THAT WILL BE AVAILABLE. AND SO WE'RE
25 WORKING ON THE RATES THAT WE WOULD BE ABLE -- WE HAVE A

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1 CONSULTANT WHO'S WORKING WITH US TO FINALIZE THOSE AND SHARE
2 THEM WITH THE STATE. WE'VE RECEIVED SOME FEEDBACK FROM THE
3 STATE ALREADY, AND WE ANTICIPATE THAT THEY WILL HAVE A
4 CONTRACT THAT WE CAN BRING TO YOUR BOARD IN JUNE SO THAT WE
5 CAN OPT IN TO THIS WAIVER AND LAUNCH THE PROGRAM IN SUMMER OF
6 2016.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** SO WE GET TO SUBMIT THE RATES?

9

10 **DR. ROBIN KAY:** WE'RE WORKING WITH A CONSULTANT ON WHAT WOULD
11 BE ACCEPTABLE RATES, YES.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE:** SORT OF A FIRST, ISN'T IT?

14

15 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** HOUSING FOR HEALTH CONTINUES TO MAKE REAL
16 HOMES FOR PEOPLE SO THAT THEY HAVE DIGNITY. WE'RE NOW HOUSING
17 1,335 HOMELESS PEOPLE WITH COMPLEX PHYSICAL AND/OR BEHAVIORAL
18 HEALTH ISSUES. WE OPENED UP THE NEW 100-BED RECUPERATIVE
19 CENTER AT THE M.L.K. CAMPUS. AND WE'VE BEEN DOING VERY
20 SUCCESSFUL STREET OUTREACH IN SKID ROW, WHERE WE HAVE BEEN
21 ABLE TO PROVIDE INTERIM HOUSING FOR 55 PEOPLE AND PERMANENT
22 HOUSING FOR 44 PEOPLE.

23

24 **DR. ROBIN KAY:** AND THEN, JUST A BRIEF MENTION, AGAIN, AS I
25 PRESENTED BEFORE ON THESE POPULATION-BASED STRATEGIES FOR

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1 COMMUNITY-HEALTH IMPROVEMENT, THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT AND THE
2 PUBLIC HEALTH AND PREVENTION FUND HAVE PROVIDED CRITICAL
3 FUNDING FOR OUR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH IN OUR EFFORTS TO
4 IMPROVE POPULATION HEALTH. MANY OF THEM, I'VE MENTIONED
5 BEFORE, ARE COMMUNITY-HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT, WHICH WE
6 COMPLETED LAST YEAR, AND OUR COMMUNITY HEALTH IMPROVEMENT
7 PLAN, WHICH WE LAUNCHED IN NOVEMBER OF LAST YEAR, ARE CRITICAL
8 COMPONENTS TO RECEIVING PUBLIC HEALTH ACCREDITATION. AND WE'VE
9 SUBMITTED OUR APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEALTH ACCREDITATION AND
10 HOPE TO HEAR BEFORE THE BEGINNING OF THE SUMMER ON THE RESULTS
11 OF THAT. THE COMMUNITY PREVENTION POPULATION HEALTH TASKFORCE,
12 OF COURSE, WAS AUTHORIZED BY YOUR BOARD AS PART OF THE
13 CREATION OF THE HEALTH AGENCY. AND I WANT TO THANK ALL OF THE
14 BOARD MEMBERS FOR YOUR CANDIDATES THAT YOU HAVE GIVEN TO US
15 FOR THAT. WE HOPE TO HAVE OUR FIRST MEETING CONVENED IN APRIL.
16 AND THEN, AS PART OF THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT, NONPROFIT
17 HOSPITALS ARE REQUIRED TO WORK WITH PUBLIC HEALTH AND TO
18 INVEST IN POPULATION HEALTH. AND SO WE ARE CONVENING NONPROFIT
19 HOSPITALS ACROSS THE COUNTY, SHARING OUR INFORMATION ABOUT
20 COMMUNITY HEALTH ASSESSMENT AND THE COMMUNITY HEALTH
21 IMPROVEMENT PLAN AS OPTIONS FOR THEM TO INVEST IN TO IMPROVE
22 OVERALL POPULATION HEALTH IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND THEN,
23 SOME OF THE OTHER FUNDING STREAMS THAT I'VE MENTIONED TO YOU
24 BEFORE THAT WE HAVE RECEIVED THROUGH THE -- THAT WERE
25 AUTHORIZED THROUGH AFFORDABLE CARE ACT HAS IMPROVED OUR

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1 ABILITY, FOR EXAMPLE, IN THE EPIDEM[IOLOGY] LAB CAPACITY TO
2 ADDRESS EMERGING INFECTIONS, LIKE EBOLA AND ZIKA THAT WE'RE
3 CURRENTLY FACED WITH NOW, HAS BEEN A SOURCE OF FUNDING FOR OUR
4 HOME VISITATION PROGRAMS AND OUR PUBLIC HEALTH IMPROVEMENT
5 INITIATIVES, WHICH THE FUNDING FOR THAT HAS ENDED. WE CONTINUE
6 TO RECEIVE SOME FUNDING FOR CHRONIC DISEASE PREVENTION, AND
7 WE'VE INVESTED IN LINKAGES BETWEEN CLINICAL CARE AND
8 POPULATION CARE WITH THAT FUNDING. AND JUST A COUPLE OF
9 HIGHLIGHTS. WE'VE LAUNCHED A NEW CHRONIC DISEASE RISK
10 ASSESSMENT PROGRAM REFERRAL PLATFORM THROUGH OUR OFFICE OF
11 WOMEN'S HEALTH, THEIR CALL CENTER. AND THEY HAVE A CALL CENTER
12 WHICH RESPONDS TO CALLS IN A VARIETY OF LANGUAGES AND LINKS
13 PEOPLE WITH ASSISTANCE AND REFERRALS TO A VARIETY OF HEALTH
14 AND SOCIAL AND COMMUNITY RESOURCES, INCLUDING HEART DISEASE,
15 DIABETES, BLOOD PRESSURE ASSESSMENTS, AND OTHER NEEDS THAT WE
16 GET THROUGH THAT CALL LINE. AND THEN WE'RE WORKING WITH
17 L.A.C.+U.S.C. TO FURTHER GROW THE PATIENT HEALTH NAVIGATOR
18 PROGRAM AT THE WELLNESS CENTER. THIS IS WHERE WE'RE HAVING
19 COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS AND OTHER TYPES OF SERVICES CONNECT
20 PATIENTS TO COMMUNITY RESOURCES TO IMPROVE THEIR HEALTH
21 OUTCOMES.

22

23 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** I'M VERY PLEASED THAT O.R.C.H.I.D. IS FULLY
24 DEPLOYED. AND SUPERVISOR KNABE, YOU'LL BE TICKLED TO KNOW THAT
25 I THINK WE TAUGHT CERNER SOMETHING ABOUT REHAB, ELECTRONIC

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1 HEALTH RECORDS, BECAUSE WE BECAME THE FIRST CERNER SYSTEM TO
2 BUILD THE PLATFORM THAT ALLOWS THE DOCTORS TO ORDER PHYSICAL
3 THERAPY IN AN ACUTE REHAB HOSPITAL. THEY HAD NEVER DEPLOYED
4 CERNER IN THAT WAY. AND SO IT WAS A LITTLE BIT NERVE-RACKING
5 FOR US, BECAUSE THE SYSTEM GOES UP AND IT'S LIKE, WILL THE
6 DOCTORS REALLY BE ABLE TO ORDER THE SERVICES? AND THE ANSWER
7 WAS YES. SO WE TAUGHT CERNER SOMETHING, AND IT'S WORKING WELL
8 AT RANCHO. WE'RE NOW 100 PERCENT ON THE SAME PLATFORM. IT'S
9 PRETTY AMAZING FOR A SYSTEM THAT USED TO EXIST IN SIX SEPARATE
10 COMPUTER SYSTEMS, ALL RUNNING THE SAME SOFTWARE, TREMENDOUS
11 INEFFICIENCY, WE'RE NOW ALL ON ONE SERVER. AND IT WILL ALLOW
12 US TO DO A MUCH BETTER JOB OF MEETING NEEDS BY BEING ABLE TO
13 SEE "OH, OVER HERE THERE'S O.R. CAPACITY, OVER HERE THERE'S
14 INPATIENT CAPACITY." WE'RE VERY PLEASED ABOUT THAT.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT'S VERY EXCITING. I KNOW THE FOLKS OUT AT
17 RANCHO, THERE WAS A LOT OF ANGST GOING INTO IT AND THE
18 TRAINING AND THE DIFFICULTY FROM TIME TO TIME. BUT I JUST
19 FOUND OUT, OUT OF THE BLUE, THAT MY EYE DOCTOR OUTSIDE THE
20 SYSTEM IS A VOLUNTEER AT RANCHO. I DIDN'T KNOW THAT, AS AN EYE
21 DOCTOR OUT THERE. AND HE WAS SAYING HE WENT THROUGH HIS
22 TRAINING, BUT THE SYSTEM WE HAVE IN PLACE OUT THERE, I WON'T
23 MENTION THE NAME OF THE OTHER HOSPITAL THAT HE ALSO VOLUNTEERS
24 AT, BUT HE SAID IT'S A MUCH BETTER SYSTEM, AND HE WAS VERY

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1 HAPPY WITH IT. SO HE HAS SORT OF A LOOK FROM ANOTHER SYSTEM TO
2 OUR SYSTEM. SO THAT WAS GOOD NEWS.

3

4 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** THANKS, SUPERVISOR. I APPRECIATE THAT.

5

6 **DR. ROBIN KAY:** SO, ONE OF THE INITIATIVES THAT IS UNDERWAY IS
7 THE INVOLVEMENT OF THE D.M.H. CO-LOCATED STAFF, THOSE STAFF
8 THAT ARE PLACED IN THE D.H.S. COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CENTERS AND
9 MACKS WHO NOW HAVE ACCESS TO O.R.C.H.I.D. THEY CAN READ THE
10 MEDICAL RECORDS. THEY CAN REVIEW WHAT'S HAPPENING. AND THERE
11 IS A FUNCTION WITHIN O.R.C.H.I.D. THAT ALLOWS MESSAGING BACK
12 AND FORTH SO THAT THOSE BUSY PHYSICIANS AND NURSES ON THE
13 D.H.S. SIDE CAN SEND MESSAGES TO D.M.H. CLINICIANS IN THE
14 D.H.S. FACILITIES AND VICE VERSA. SO, GOOD EXAMPLE, WE HAD A
15 WOMAN WITH DIABETIC WHO WAS BEING SEEN FOR DEPRESSION BY ONE
16 OF OUR CLINICIANS. AND WE CAME TO DISCOVER THAT HER
17 NUTRITIONAL NEEDS WERE NOT BEING MET AND COULD SEND A VERY
18 QUICK MESSAGE TO THE MEDICAL STAFF THAT WERE TREATING HER TO
19 MAKE SURE WE WERE WORKING TOGETHER ON HER NEEDS. AND THEN JUST
20 BRIEFLY ON SOME OF THE OPPORTUNITIES THAT WE ARE PURSUING FOR
21 REVENUE GENERATION IN PUBLIC HEALTH, WHERE THERE IS A PAYER,
22 WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE CAN CAPTURE THAT PAYMENT. AND SO
23 WE ARE VERY GRATEFUL FOR D.H.S. FOR THEIR ASSISTANCE IN
24 HELPING US TO SET UP BILLING SERVICES AND A PATHWAY TO BILL
25 MEDI-CAL, FOR EXAMPLE, OUR DIRECTLY OBSERVED THERAPY AND T.B.

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1 WE'RE ALSO CONTINUING TO WORK TO IMPLEMENT O.R.C.H.I.D. IN OUR
2 PUBLIC HEALTH CLINICS. AND AGAIN, WE'RE GRATEFUL TO D.H.S. FOR
3 THEIR ASSISTANCE WITH THAT. WE HOPE TO ROLL IT OUT IN MIDDLE
4 TO LATE 2016. AND THEN WE CONTINUE TO WORK ACTIVELY WITH
5 D.H.S. STAFF ON COLLOCATION OF PRIMARY CARE IN OUR PUBLIC
6 HEALTH FACILITIES. AND WE'VE IDENTIFIED FIVE INITIAL SITES.
7 PLANNING IS UNDERWAY. AND WE HOPE TO SEE THAT HAPPEN SOON.

8

9 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** SO, THERE'S A LOT DONE, A LOT MORE TO DO,
10 BUT I THINK WHAT WE FEEL MOST STRONGLY IS THAT WORKING
11 TOGETHER, WE CAN GET A LOT MORE DONE THAN WE USED TO. I THINK
12 THAT WE'VE GONE FROM THREE DEPARTMENTS ALL DOING GOOD THINGS
13 TO THREE DEPARTMENTS WORKING CONCERTEDLY AT THE SAME THINGS.
14 AND IT JUST TURNS OUT THAT WHEN YOU SORT OF HAVE THAT MUCH
15 POWER AND THAT MUCH SORT OF MULTIDISCIPLINARY THOUGHT SO THAT
16 YOU LOOK AT PROBLEMS IN DIFFERENT WAYS, YOU CAN GET A LOT MORE
17 DONE. WE'RE VERY PROUD OF OUR SISTER DEPARTMENT, THE
18 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES, AND TO DIRECTOR SPILLER
19 FOR SUPPORTING US, ESPECIALLY ON THE ISSUES OF MEDI-CAL.

20

21 **SHERYL SPILLER:** THANK YOU, DR. KATZ. GOOD AFTERNOON,
22 SUPERVISORS. MY REPORT TODAY WILL BE A BRIEF REPORT ON THREE
23 AREAS: THE MEDI-CAL NOTICES OF ACTION, CALFRESH EXPRESS-LANE
24 ENROLLMENT, AND THEN FULL SCOPE MEDI-CAL FOR UNDOCUMENTED
25 CHILDREN. AND I'LL TALK A LITTLE BIT SOME OF THE

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1 CAL.H.E.E.R.S. SYSTEM'S CHALLENGES. BUT EFFECTIVE IN MARCH,
2 SENATE BILL 1341 GRANTED COUNTIES THE ABILITY TO ISSUE NOTICES
3 OF ACTIONS. SO PRIOR TO THAT, CAL.H.E.E.R.S. WOULD HAVE TO
4 ISSUE THESE NOTICES. NOW, UNTIL NOW, MANY CLIENTS WHO FAILED
5 TO SUBMIT THEIR RENEWALS WERE NOT TERMINATED BECAUSE WE DID
6 NOT HAVE PROPER NOTIFICATION. AS OF NOW, D.P.S.S. IS REQUIRED
7 TO BEGIN TERMINATING THOSE CASES. SO, THESE NOTICES, THE NEW
8 NOTICES, THE LANGUAGE ON THEM NOW INFORMS THE BENEFICIARIES
9 THAT ONCE THEY'RE TERMINATED, THEY HAVE 90 DAYS TO REINSTATE
10 THEIR BENEFITS.

11

12 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** ASK YOU, WHAT IS YOUR FOLLOWUP PLAN,
13 BECAUSE I KNOW WE'VE HEARD THIS DISCUSSION QUITE A BIT OUT IN
14 MY DISTRICT BECAUSE OF LANGUAGE BARRIERS. SO WHAT IS THE
15 BACKUP PLAN TO MAKE SURE THAT IT'S SOMEWHAT SEAMLESS, IF THERE
16 IS ONE?

17

18 **SHERYL SPILLER:** SO WHAT WE'RE DOING IS WE DO THESE EX PARTE
19 REVIEWS, WHICH MEANS WE LOOK AT THE CASE RECORDS. IF INDEED
20 THEY HAVE A CALFRESH CASE OR A G.R. CASE THAT'S ONGOING, THEN
21 WE'LL TAKE INFORMATION, WE'LL CONTACT THEM FROM THOSE CASES.
22 WE ALSO DO AN OUTBOUND CALL. WE ALSO SEND A LETTER. SO WE'RE
23 REQUIRED TO DO ALL OF THOSE THINGS BEFORE WE TAKE TERMINATION
24 ACTION. WE'RE ALSO WORKING WITH THE MANAGED-CARE AGENCIES SO
25 THAT THEY, TOO, CAN CONTACT THEIR PATIENTS TO LET THEM KNOW TO

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1 REMIND THEM, WHICH THEY DO ON A REGULAR BASIS, THAT THEY KNOW
2 THEIR RENEWAL DATES AND THEY DO CONTACT THEM TO REMIND THEM TO
3 FOLLOW THROUGH WITH THEIR RENEWAL PACKET.

4

5 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I JUST THINK THERE MIGHT BE ANOTHER
6 APPROACH THAT WE COULD ALSO ENVISION HERE, AND THAT'S WHERE WE
7 SUCCESSFULLY USE THE PROMOTORAS, ESPECIALLY IN HARD-TO-REACH
8 AREAS WHERE YOU HAVE TO HAVE A ONE-ON-ONE CONTACT WITH AN
9 INDIVIDUAL IN THEIR LANGUAGE. AND I'D LIKE TO HEAR FROM DR.
10 KATZ AND FROM CYNTHIA HARDING ABOUT THAT, BECAUSE YOU ALL HAVE
11 BEEN LEADING THE WAY ON THAT.

12

13 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** WE'D BE HAPPY TO WORK WITH DIRECTOR SPILLER
14 ON WAYS THAT WE CAN USE PROMATORAS. I WOULD SAY IN SUPPORT OF
15 WHAT DIRECTOR SPILLER IS SAYING, WE'RE ALSO IN OUR CLINICAL
16 SITES WORKING TO FIGURE OUT WHO IS GOING TO COME UP FOR
17 RENEWAL AND TALK TO THEM THROUGH THEIR DOCTORS, THROUGH THE
18 NURSE. BUT I AGREE WITH YOU THAT THERE ARE CERTAIN POPULATIONS
19 WHERE YOU HAVE TO GO DOOR-TO-DOOR. AND WE'D BE HAPPY TO LEND
20 OUR PROMOTORAS, AND I'M SURE THE SAME WOULD BE TRUE OF PUBLIC
21 HEALTH.

22

23 **SHERYL SPILLER:** YEAH, AND IN PUBLIC HEALTH, WE HAVE THE
24 NETWORK OF OUTREACH AND ASSISTANCE CONTRACTORS WHO
25 SPECIFICALLY HAVE FUNDING FOR RENEWAL ASSISTANCE. AND WE

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1 CURRENTLY WORK WITH THE DEPARTMENT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE
2 LINKING PEOPLE TO THOSE RESOURCES THAT WE HAVE IN THE
3 COMMUNITY.

4

5 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SO I'D LIKE TO SEE IN THE REPORT BACK
6 INFORMATION ABOUT THAT, HOW THAT COLLABORATION WILL BE
7 UNDERTAKEN AND WHAT RESULTS ARE THERE. WE CAN GAUGE. WE CAN,
8 YOU KNOW, HAVE METRICS LOOK AT THAT. THANK YOU.

9

10 **SHERYL SPILLER:** AND WITH THIS, WE'RE LOOKING AT, SINCE THE
11 PROGRAM HAS JUST FINISHED ON MARCH 7TH, WE'LL BE ISSUING
12 TERMINATION NOTICES FOR THREE MONTHS. SO IT WOULD BE JANUARY,
13 FEBRUARY, AND MARCH, WHICH COULD BE SOMEWHERE AROUND 30,000
14 PER MONTH. SO, QUITE A BIG IMPACT.

15

16 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THAT'S A LOT, YEAH.

17

18 **SHERYL SPILLER:** WE CURRENTLY HAVE ABOUT 1.7 MILLION CASES,
19 MEDI-CAL CASES, ABOUT 3 MILLION INDIVIDUALS ENROLLED IN MEDI-
20 CAL. NEXT IS THE CALFRESH EXPRESS LANE ENROLLMENT. AND
21 EFFECTIVE JANUARY, 2014, CLIENTS WHO WERE RECEIVING CALFRESH,
22 PARTICIPANTS WERE ABLE TO ENROLL AUTOMATICALLY IN MEDI-CAL.
23 THAT PROJECT WAS SUPPOSED TO END AT THE END OF DECEMBER, BUT
24 IT'S BEEN EXTENDED INDEFINITELY. SO TO DATE, WE'VE ENROLLED
25 OVER 41,000 INDIVIDUALS INTO MEDI-CAL THROUGH THIS PROJECT.

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1 EFFECTIVE MAY 1 UNDER SENATE BILL 75, WHICH I THINK DR. KATZ
2 MENTIONED EARLIER, UNDOCUMENTED CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 19
3 WILL BE ELIGIBLE FOR FULL-SCOPE MEDI-CAL. AND HERE IN LOS
4 ANGELES COUNTY, WE HAVE APPROXIMATELY 36,000 UNDOCUMENTED
5 CHILDREN THAT ARE RECEIVING RESTRICTED BENEFITS NOW. THOSE
6 WILL BE AUTOMATICALLY CONVERTED TO FULL-SCOPE. NOW, THAT'S
7 SOMETHING THAT WILL BE DONE LOCALLY. WHAT WILL HAPPEN IS THAT
8 THE PROGRAMMING WILL BE COMPLETED AT THE STATE, BUT WE ALSO
9 WILL COMPLETE THE PROGRAMMING HERE. AND WHAT WE'LL DO IS JUST
10 WHAT WE'RE CALLING FLIP THOSE CODES. SO WE'RE WORKING WITH
11 HEALTH SERVICES FOR ANY UNDOCUMENTED CHILDREN THAT THEY NOW
12 HAVE IN THEIR SYSTEM. IF WE CAN PUT THEM ON MEDI-CAL AS
13 RESTRICTED, THEN IT WILL MAKE THE PROCESS A LOT QUICKER AND
14 WE'LL MAKE SURE THAT WE DON'T MISS ANY OF THOSE CHILDREN. AND
15 THEN LAST, IT'S JUST THE CAL.H.E.E.R.S. SYSTEMS ISSUES. WE
16 CONTINUE TO HAVE ISSUES WITH CAL.H.E.E.R.S., AND I THINK THE
17 STAFF HAS DONE A TREMENDOUS JOB TO WORK AROUND THOSE. THERE
18 ARE CONSTANT CHANGES THAT COME UP. BUT WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION
19 OF L.R.S., THESE CAL.H.E.E.R.S. ISSUES ARE MAGNIFIED. BUT
20 WE'RE WORKING SUCCESSFULLY WITH THE STATE ON THAT. THEY HAVE A
21 24-MONTH ROAD MAP, WHICH THEY ARE CURRENTLY PLANNING ON FIXING
22 THESE SYSTEM PROBLEMS. THANK YOU.

23

24 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** ANY QUESTIONS FROM BOARD MEMBERS?

25 SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

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1

2 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** I HAVE A LITTLE BUNCH OF QUESTIONS. BUT

3 FIRST OF ALL, I REALLY WANT TO SAY I FEEL REALLY GOOD ABOUT

4 THIS. IT JUST SEEMS LIKE WE'RE MOVING IN THE DIRECTION THAT WE

5 ALL WERE KIND OF TALKING ABOUT FOR THE WHOLE YEAR. AND THE

6 INTEGRATION OF IT, THE USE OF INCREASED USE OF TECHNOLOGY, ALL

7 OF IT, IT FEELS LIKE, YEAH, THIS IS WHAT WE HAD IN MIND. AND

8 YOU START SOMETHING AND HOPE THAT IT WILL ALL WORK OUT. A

9 COUPLE OF THINGS. ONE IS, AS I STARTED TO TALK ABOUT BEFORE IN

10 TERMS OF IT BEING GOOD NEWS AND THERE BEING SUCH GOOD NEWS,

11 WHAT DIRECTOR SPILLER DID AT THE END OF HER PRESENTATION IS

12 ACTUALLY SOMETHING I'D LOVE TO SEE AT THE END OF THE AGENCIES

13 AND DEPARTMENTS, AS WELL. IT'S GOOD FOR US TO KNOW WHAT THE

14 UPCOMING CHALLENGES ARE KIND OF ALL ON ONE PAGE. AND I REALIZE

15 THAT WASN'T ALL OF THEM. BUT, STILL, THE FAILURE TO BE ABLE TO

16 INTEGRATE REALLY WELL WITH THE STATE SYSTEM, AND WHEN YOU USE

17 THE WORD WORK-AROUND, YOU COULD HAVE USED FIVE SLIDES TO SHOW

18 US WHAT THAT MEANS. IT'S KIND OF TRYING TO LIKE GET THROUGH

19 CENTURY CITY MALL NOW THAT IT'S UNDER CONSTRUCTION. TALK ABOUT

20 A WORK-AROUND. CAN'T WALK THROUGH IT ANYMORE. AND IT'S KIND OF

21 LIKE THAT WITH THE STATE SYSTEM. I WANTED TO RETURN TO A

22 COUPLE QUESTIONS, IF I MAY, DR. KATZ, OR REALLY ANYONE THAT

23 CHAIR SOLIS BROUGHT UP IN TERMS OF THE MY HEALTH L.A.

24 TRANSITION. I THINK THAT YOU INDICATED THAT YOU THOUGHT THE

25 TRANSITION WOULD BE PRETTY SMOOTH FOR OUR KIDS GOING FROM --

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1 AND YOU ALSO TALKED ABOUT CHANGING OVER TO THE MEDI-CAL
2 SYSTEM. AND I THINK YOU SAID ABOUT 10,000?

3

4 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** CORRECT. THERE ARE 10,000 UNDOCUMENTED
5 CHILDREN, BY OUR BEST ESTIMATION, IN THE MY HEALTH L.A.
6 PROGRAM.

7

8 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** SO WHEN WE TRANSITIONED A BUNCH OF THEM IN
9 2014, NOBODY HAD TO DO ANYTHING. THERE WAS LIKE THIS MAGICAL,
10 FIRST YOU WERE ON MY HEALTH L.A. THEN YOU WERE ON MEDI-CAL.
11 ARE WE GOING TO SEE THIS KIND OF MAGICAL SEAMLESS TRANSITION
12 FOR THESE KIDS?

13

14 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** WE THINK SO, BECAUSE OF WHAT DIRECTOR
15 SPILLER HAS SAID, THAT WHAT WE NEED TO DO IS WE NEED TO MAKE
16 SURE THAT THE CHILDREN ARE ON LIMITED-SCOPE MEDI-CAL, WHICH
17 THEY CAN BE ON NOW. SO, THEY CAN BE ON LIMITED-SCOPE MEDI-CAL.
18 ALL OF THEIR SERVICES CAN BE PAID FOR BY MY HEALTH L.A. AND AS
19 LONG AS THEY'RE ON LIMITED-SCOPE MEDI-CAL AT THE MOMENT THAT
20 THE STATE SAYS OKAY, DIRECTOR SPILLER, YOU CAN CHANGE THE
21 CODES, IT WILL BE SEAMLESS TO THEM. ALSO, EVEN IF THERE IS
22 SOME, SOME -- EVEN IF IT DOESN'T WORK ABSOLUTELY, THEY CAN
23 STILL GO TO WHERE THEY ARE IN CARE. THAT'S WHAT I THINK IS THE
24 SEAMLESS PART. THEY DON'T HAVE TO SWITCH CARE, RIGHT? SO IF
25 THEY'RE GOING TO ST. JOHN'S, SAY, TO GET THEIR CARE AND THE

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1 GOAL IS ST. JOHN'S PUTS THEM TO LIMITED-SCOPE MEDI-CAL AND
2 THEN THEY SWITCH OVER PERFECTLY, BUT EVEN IF THEY DIDN'T, THEY
3 WOULD STILL BE ABLE TO CONTINUE TO ST. JOHN'S MEDI-CAL -- TO
4 ST. JOHN'S MY HEALTH L.A. AND SINCE ALL OF THE SITES WE'RE
5 USING CAN TAKE MEDI-CAL, THERE'S NO REASON THAT ANYBODY'S CARE
6 WOULD BE INTERRUPTED. IT HELPS THE SYSTEM IF WE MAKE THE
7 TRANSITION MORE SMOOTH FOR THE MONEY SO THAT PEOPLE, SO THOSE
8 CLINICS GET BETTER PAID. BUT THE KIDS SHOULD BE FINE NO MATTER
9 WHAT.

10

11 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** SO WHEN YOU SAY "WE NEED TO," IS THERE SORT
12 OF A PLAN FOR UP UNTIL MAY FOR GETTING ALL OF THE CHILDREN OR
13 ALL POSSIBLE INTO THIS SORT OF TEMPORARY SYSTEM?

14

15 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** YES. AGAIN, AS DIRECTOR SPILLER SHOWED YOU,
16 MOST OF THEM ARE, THE MAJORITY ARE. BUT THEY AREN'T ALL. SO
17 RIGHT NOW, WE ARE WORKING WITH THE CLINICS. BUT IT IS TO THE
18 CLINIC'S ECONOMIC ADVANTAGE THAT THEY PUT THE PERSON, THE
19 CHILD INTO LIMITED-SCOPE MEDI-CAL. AND THE CLINICS, YOU KNOW,
20 ARE VERY COMMUNITY-FOCUSED, KNOW HOW -- THEY'RE GOOD MEDI-CAL
21 PROVIDERS. THEY KNOW HOW MEDI-CAL WORKS. BUT WE ARE SENDING
22 THEM INFORMATION. WE'RE MAKING SURE THEY KNOW WHICH ARE THEIR
23 IMPANELED CHILDREN MEMBERS.

24

25 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** I'M ALSO CONCERNED -- I'M SORRY. GO AHEAD.

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2 **SHERYL SPILLER:** I WAS JUST GOING TO MENTION THAT THE STATE HAS
3 ESTIMATED IT'S ABOUT 40,000 CHILDREN IN L.A. WHICH WOULD BE
4 ELIGIBLE. WE KNOW OF 36,000 THAT ARE ALREADY REGISTERED WITH
5 THE DEPARTMENT. SO THEY ARE POTENTIALLY, YOU KNOW, THOSE 4,000
6 THAT WE ARE MATCHING UP TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY ARE ON THE
7 SYSTEM, AS WELL. SO I THINK WE'RE IN PRETTY GOOD SHAPE.

8

9 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** I'M ALSO INTERESTED AND A BIT CONCERNED
10 ABOUT THIS RE-ENROLLMENT ISSUE WHERE EVERYBODY WAS KIND OF
11 LETTING IT SLIDE, OR "THEY" WERE LETTING IT SLIDE AND NOW
12 THEY'RE NOT. AND SO WE HAVE TO REALLY MAKE CERTAIN THAT OUR
13 CLIENTS COMPLY. AND I KNOW CHAIR SOLIS ASKED A QUESTION ABOUT
14 KIND OF WHAT WE'RE DOING. BUT I GUESS THIS WOULD -- PERHAPS
15 THIS MIGHT BE A QUESTION THAT WOULD PUT OUR C.E.O. A LITTLE
16 BIT MORE ON THE SPOT. BUT I NEED TO KNOW WHETHER, IN YOUR
17 OPINION, WE HAVE THE STAFF THAT WE NEED TO MAKE CERTAIN THAT
18 PEOPLE GET THE KIND OF NOTICE THAT THE CHAIR WAS TALKING ABOUT
19 AND SOME HELP RE-ENROLLING, BECAUSE IT'S A LITTLE DRACONIAN. I
20 WAS NOT FOR IT WHEN I WAS IN THE STATE THAT EVERY SO OFTEN YOU
21 HAVE TO SHOW THAT YOU'RE STILL POOR AND SIGN UP AGAIN AND IF
22 YOU DON'T, YOU DON'T GET COVERED. AND THE REASON I DIDN'T LIKE
23 IT IS BECAUSE IT WAS ALWAYS SCORED IN THE BUDGET ESTIMATES AS
24 A SAVINGS. WHY IS IT A SAVINGS? BECAUSE WE ASSUME YOU'RE NOT
25 GOING TO DO A GOOD JOB AND GET EVERYBODY TO RE-ENROLL, AND

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1 THEREFORE WE GET TO SAVE MONEY. WELL, IT WAS REALLY CYNICAL.
2 SO I WANT TO MAKE CERTAIN THAT WE DON'T SATISFY THOSE SORT OF
3 CYNICAL PROJECTIONS AND REALLY MAKE CERTAIN THAT EVERYBODY IS
4 -- NOT JUST THAT WE TRY -- BUT IS RE-ENROLLED. SO OBVIOUSLY IF
5 YOU ASK THE DIRECTOR OF YOUR DEPARTMENT, "DO YOU NEED MORE
6 PEOPLE TO DO THIS," I'M GOING TO GET A YES. BUT I KIND OF WANT
7 TO KNOW IF THERE'S A CONFLICT ABOUT THIS, BECAUSE I DON'T KNOW
8 YET.

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10 **SHERYL SPILLER:** I DON'T REALLY KNOW THAT WE NEED MORE PEOPLE
11 TO DO THIS. I THINK SUPERVISOR SOLIS MENTIONED ABOUT PROBABLY
12 THE OUTREACH EFFORTS. WHAT IT IS IS THAT WE'VE MADE SEVERAL
13 CONTACTS NOW. I THINK WHAT'S HAPPENED IS THAT THEY'VE BEEN
14 ALLOWED TO GO ALONG SO LONG AND NOT RESPOND TO US BECAUSE OF
15 THIS ISSUE THAT THEY DON'T REALIZE THEY NEED TO RETURN THESE
16 FORMS. WE CALLED THE MANAGED CARE AGENCIES, BECAUSE NORMALLY
17 THEY OUTREACH TO THEIR PATIENTS ANYWAY TO MAKE SURE THAT
18 THEY'RE INVOLVED IN THE SYSTEM. WHAT THEY TOLD US JUST
19 RECENTLY ON THEIR CALLS TO THEM IS THAT THE PATIENTS SAID,
20 YES, WE RECEIVED THE PACKETS, BUT WE DIDN'T SEND THEM IN. A
21 VAST MAJORITY. SO THEY'RE TELLING THEM: YOU HAVE TO RETURN
22 THOSE PACKETS. SO I THINK IT'S A MATTER OF HOW DO WE GET THE
23 WORD OUT TO THEM SO THAT THEY REALIZE NOW THAT IT'S IMPORTANT
24 THAT THEY NO LONGER IGNORE THOSE PACKETS THAT WERE MAILED TO
25 THEM. THEY HAVE TO GET THEM IN.

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2 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** AND BEFORE WE PUT THE C.E.O. ON THE SPOT, I
3 KNOW PUBLIC HEALTH HAS BEEN WORKING HARD ON THIS ISSUE AND
4 DOES HAVE CONTACTS WITH MANY OF THESE PEOPLE.

5

6 **CYNTHIA HARDING:** SO AGAIN, WE HAVE ABOUT \$4.8 MILLION IN
7 FUNDING THAT WE GOT FROM THE STATE FOR MEDI-CAL ASSISTANCE
8 WITH THE RENEWAL PROCESS AND THAT'S FOR TROUBLE-SHOOTING THOSE
9 APPLICATIONS. AND AGAIN, WE WORKED VERY CLOSELY WITH DIRECTOR
10 SPILLER'S STAFF ON THIS TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE DOING
11 OUTREACH. AND FOR THOSE THAT WE'RE PROVIDING ASSISTANCE, WE
12 HAVE A TICKLER SYSTEM, SO THAT WE'RE FOLLOWING OUT TO THEM,
13 WE'RE OUTREACHING TO THEM BEFORE THEY'RE GETTING THE LETTER TO
14 MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE HELPING THEM WITH THAT RENEWAL
15 ASSISTANCE.

16

17 **SHERYL SPILLER:** AND THE GOOD SIDE OF THIS, IF THERE IS ONE, IS
18 THE FACT THAT WITH THIS NEW POLICY IS IF THEY JUST CONTACT US
19 WITHIN 90 DAYS, WE CAN RESTORE THEIR CASE WITHOUT THEM HAVING
20 TO GO THROUGH THE WHOLE RE-APPLICATION PROCESS. SO WE'LL NEED
21 TO GET THE FORMS BACK, BUT WITHIN 90 DAYS WE CAN JUST PUT THEM
22 BACK ON.

23

24 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** BUT SUPERVISOR KUEHL MAKES A GOOD POINT,
25 BECAUSE THESE APPLICATIONS ARE CUMBERSOME AND YOU REALLY DO

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1 HAVE TO HAVE -- THIS IS WHAT I'VE HEARD FROM OUR CLINICS, THE
2 ASSOCIATION OF CLINICS THAT ARE OUT THERE THAT HAVE RAISED
3 THIS ISSUE CONSISTENTLY, THAT WE NEED TO DO A BETTER JOB AND
4 JUST FIRST INFORMING THE COMMUNITY AND WHERE THOSE ACCESS
5 POINTS ARE. NOT EVERY FEDERALLY QUALIFIED CLINIC OR FOR-PROFIT
6 AND NONPROFIT ARE ACTUALLY OUT THERE PUSHING MY HEALTH L.A.
7 THEY'RE NOT. AND PART OF IT IS BECAUSE OF THE DISINCENTIVE.
8 SO, I THINK WE HAVE TO RETOOL AND MAYBE WORK WITH THIS CLINIC
9 ASSOCIATION AND GET SOME OF THEIR FEEDBACK SO THAT WE'RE NOT
10 MISSING OUR TARGETS HERE. AND I WOULD SAY, IS THERE A
11 POSSIBILITY OF USING S.B.-75 FUNDS IN PARTICULAR FOR THIS? IS
12 THAT, CYNTHIA, WHAT YOU WERE SAYING?

13

14 **CYNTHIS HARDING:** NO, IT WAS ANOTHER BILL THAT GAVE US THAT
15 FUNDING FOR THE MEDI-CAL RENEWAL. S.B.-75 DOESN'T HAVE ANY
16 FUNDS ATTACHED TO IT FOR THEIR RENEWAL ACTIVITIES. BUT WE'RE
17 USING THE OTHER STATE FUNDING. WE'RE HOPING WE'LL GET
18 ADDITIONAL FUNDING COME JUNE TO EXPAND THOSE.

19

20 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** IT DOESN'T MAKE SENSE TO ME. THAT MAY BE
21 SOMETHING WE MAY NEED TO TALK TO OUR FRIENDS UP IN SACRAMENTO.

22

23 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** AND WE WILL COMMIT TO YOU, MADAME CHAIR,
24 AND SUPERVISOR KUEHL, THAT WE'LL TRACK THESE NUMBERS. WE'LL
25 SEND THEM TO YOU. THEY'RE VERY MUCH ON. WE UNDERSTAND THAT IN

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1 SOME WAYS, THE LAWSUITS BENEFITED US AND THE BENEFICIARIES BY
2 PUSHING OFF THIS DATE. AND NOW THE DATE IS HERE. BUT WE DO
3 HAVE THIS 90-DAY PERIOD, EVEN ONCE THE PERSON IS TERMINATED,
4 TO GET THEM BACK WITHOUT ANY RE-APPLICATION. AND WE'LL COMBINE
5 THIS ALONG WITH PUSHING UP THE ENROLLMENT IN MY HEALTH L.A.
6 AND WORK TO MAKE SURE NOBODY FALLS THROUGH.

7

8 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** I THINK YOU'VE ALL BEEN VERY RESPONSIBLE
9 ABOUT SAYING HERE'S WHAT WE NEED AND ACTUALLY, YOU KNOW,
10 HERE'S WHAT WE DON'T NEED, WHICH IS EVEN BETTER. SO I GUESS
11 THE WHOLE POINT REALLY IS TO KEEP US INFORMED IF THERE ARE ANY
12 OF OUR DEPARTMENTS AND THE C.E.O. RUNNING INTO ANY KIND OF
13 BARRIERS, ESPECIALLY WITH THE STATE. THEY'RE SLOW TO PAY
14 THEMSELVES, THOSE SORTS OF THINGS. BUT THIS IS GREAT. IF WE
15 CAN GET ALL THE KIDS TRANSITIONED SMOOTHLY AND BE ABLE TO HELP
16 PEOPLE RE-ENROLL WHERE THEY NOW HAVE TO, IT'S TWO VERY BIG
17 STEPS FOR US. THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR.

18

19 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GREAT, OKAY, THANK YOU. WE HAVE SOME
20 PUBLIC COMMENT. SO I'D LIKE TO CALL THEM FORWARD. THANK YOU
21 ALL FOR YOUR PRESENTATION. WE HAVE ERIC PREVEN, ARNOLD SACHS,
22 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL, AND ALSO WAYNE.

23

24 **ERIC PREVEN:** GREETINGS. IT IS ERIC PREVEN. AND THAT IS AN
25 ESPECIALLY NICE FEELING, I HAVE TO AGREE, SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

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1 THAT'S A GOOD VIBE, RIGHT THERE, SO THANK YOU. I HAVE VERY
2 LITTLE TO SAY IN THE WAY OF CRITICISM. IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE.
3 I'M SORT OF SPEECHLESS. ORDINARILY I WOULD ROLL OUT A
4 BLISTERING SET OF NOTES, BUT I DON'T HAVE MUCH. E-CONSULT
5 SOUNDS TERRIFIC. I JUST HOPE IT WORKS. WE DON'T WANT TO BE,
6 YOU KNOW, LOOKING AT A PICTURE OF A GUY'S FOOT AND TELLING
7 THEM TO AMPUTATE, OBVIOUSLY, OVER THE INTERNET. BUT I'M SURE
8 THAT WE HAVE VARIOUS PROTECTIONS THERE IN PLACE. ONE NOTE
9 WHICH IS REALLY FOR THE GUY WHO IS NOT THAT SMART, WHICH IS
10 ME, I THINK THAT SPILLER, WHO IS EXCELLENT, GAVE THE BEST
11 REPORT, BECAUSE HER REPORT WAS PRINTED ON WHITE PAPER WITH
12 BLACK INK, WHICH IS A LITTLE BIT, IT'S REACHING IN THE
13 DIRECTION OF ECONOMICAL AND WHAT WE WOULD ALL DO IF IT WAS OUR
14 OWN MONEY. THIS, BY CONTRAST, IS COMPLETELY EMBARRASSING. THIS
15 IS ONE OF MANY GIANT BLUE-INK PAGES THAT CAN ONLY -- I MEAN,
16 DO WE HAVE A GROUP WHO ARE TRYING TO OFFLOAD OLD INK? I MEAN,
17 ANY HUMAN WHO PRINTS, SACHI, OR MS. HAMAI, PARDON ME, C.E.O,
18 THIS A PROBLEM. SO, GOING FORWARD, THOUGH WE DO WANT CLEAR,
19 GOOD REPORTS LIKE THIS, WE HAVE TO DO SO IN A MANNER THAT DOES
20 NOT CAUSE THIS EGREGIOUS WASTE OF COUNTY RESOURCES. NOW, XEROX
21 ASIDE, BECAUSE I DON'T KNOW IF THEY'RE THE GUYS WHO ARE
22 ACTUALLY, WE HAVE SOME GROUP THAT HELPS WITH THE PRINTING FROM
23 A MULTINATIONAL BASIS --
24
25 **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** SIR, YOU'RE OFF TOPIC.

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2 **ERIC PREVEN:** WELL, THIS IS A GREAT REPORT, BUT IT NEEDS TO BE
3 PRINTED IN BLACK AND WHITE. THANK YOU.

4

5 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NEXT WITNESS.

6

7 **WAYNE SPINDLER:** WELL, LAST NIGHT WE HAD THE LOS ANGELES CITY
8 HEALTH COMMISSION. AND SO, SOME OF YOUR PEOPLE WERE THERE
9 TALKING ABOUT A BIG PROBLEM WITH HOW PEOPLE EAT, THE
10 NUTRITIONAL SIDE OF IT. I'M SURPRISED THAT WAS NOT IN THE
11 REPORT. WE HAVE SOMETHING CALLED FOOD DESERTS. ISN'T THAT A
12 STRANGE TERM, FOOD DESERTS? SO, WHEN YOU HAVE ON ONE SIDE
13 PEOPLE EATING THEMSELVES TO DEATH AND BECOMING PREDIABETIC BY
14 A RAPID RATE, THE OTHER SIDE FALLS TO PIECES. YOU'RE NOT
15 HAVING A COMPREHENSIVE STRATEGY. ISN'T IT CRADLE TO GRAVE?
16 ISN'T THAT WHAT WE'RE DOING IN SOCIALIST LOS ANGELES COUNTY?
17 WE'RE GOING CRADLE TO GRAVE LIKE THE FAMOUS BRITISH SOCIALIST
18 MODEL FABIAN SOCIALISM?

19

20 **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** SIR, THE TOPIC IS THE AFFORDABLE CARE
21 ACT.

22

23 **WAYNE SPINDLER:** YOU DON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT FABIAN SOCIALISM IS,
24 BECAUSE YOU WOULD KNOW IT IS ON TOPIC.

25

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1 **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** SIR, YOU'RE OFF TOPIC. IT'S NOT
2 SOCIALISM.

3

4 **WAYNE SPINDLER:** UNIVERSAL HEALTHCARE IS THE TENET OF FABIAN
5 SOCIALISM, AND THAT'S WHAT YOU'RE ADOPTING. SO IF YOU'RE
6 ADOPTING THAT MODEL, HEALTH INVOLVES WHAT YOU EAT. NOW, IF
7 THESE PEOPLE ARE GOING TO COLLECT PUBLIC ASSISTANCE, THEY
8 BETTER START EATING BETTER. ONE CANNOT DISCONNECT FROM THE
9 OTHER. IF PEOPLE ARE EATING THEMSELVES TO DEATH TO BECOME
10 DIABETICS, THAT DRIVES THE COST UP. SO IF YOU'RE GOING MOOCH
11 OFF THE SYSTEM AND NOT PAY FOR YOUR HEALTHCARE, SCHMUCKS LIKE
12 ME HAVE TO PAY FOR EVERYBODY ELSE'S HEALTHCARE, THESE PEOPLE
13 NEED TO START EATING BETTER. THAT'S WHAT THEY WERE TALKING
14 ABOUT LAST NIGHT FROM 5 O'CLOCK P.M. TO 9:30 LAST NIGHT. BUT
15 NONE OF YOU WERE THERE. YOUR COUNTY PEOPLE WERE THERE, BUT
16 NONE OF YOU WERE THERE. YOU KNOW, WE HAVE THE CHAIRMAN OF THE
17 COMMISSION, BILL ROSENDAHL, HE'S ON HIS LAST BREATH AND HE
18 TRIED TO MAKE IT. TAKE A LOOK SOMETIME. IT'S INTERESTING.

19

20 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NEXT WITNESS.

21

22 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS.
23 AND I'M REALLY STILL TRYING TO FIGURE OUT THE COMPETITION
24 BETWEEN MY HEALTH L.A. AND COVERED CALIFORNIA. I BELIEVE WHEN
25 SUPERVISOR MOLINA WAS SITTING ON THE BOARD, SHE WAS PUSHING

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1 FOR SIGN-UPS FOR MY HEALTH L.A. PUSH, PUSH, PUSH, PUSH, PUSH.
2 AND SO YOU HAVE TO LOOK AT FUNDING THAT'S INVOLVED HERE. NOW,
3 PEOPLE SAY WHAT THE STATE WILL PAY, BUT NOBODY MENTIONS WHAT
4 THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WILL PAY. AND IF THEY'RE INVOLVED IN
5 THIS HEALTHCARE ACT, I'M PRETTY SURE THEY ARE PAYING,
6 SOMETHING. SO THE QUESTION IS -- AND AGAIN, YOU KNOW, IT'S
7 WHAT YOU LEARN FROM EXPERIENCE. THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S
8 PAYING FOR EVERYONE ENROLLED. WHAT IS THE COUNTY SPENDING FOR
9 EVERYONE ENROLLED? WANT TO TALK ABOUT EXPERIENCE, MY
10 EXPERIENCE WITH THE COUNTY DATES TO MARTIN LUTHER KING
11 HOSPITAL. THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WAS PAYING \$300 MILLION A
12 YEAR TO THE HOSPITAL. BUT I HAVE TO REALLY, REALLY BELIEVE
13 THAT THE COUNTY WASN'T SPENDING \$300 MILLION A YEAR ON MARTIN
14 LUTHER KING HOSPITAL. SO IF THAT'S THE MINDSET OF THE COUNTY
15 LEADERSHIP, WHAT'S THE DEAL WITH THE COVERED CALIFORNIA VERSUS
16 MY HEALTH L.A.? AND SIGNING UP IN THE SYSTEM? READ ABOUT BEING
17 IN THE SYSTEM CANNOT BE COST-EFFICIENT. AND SOMEBODY MENTIONED
18 WORKING WITH NONPROFIT HOSPITALS IN THE COUNTY? HOW MANY
19 NONPROFIT HOSPITALS ARE THERE IN THE COUNTY? DO WE HAVE A
20 COUNT ON THAT THAT ARE INVOLVED IN THIS MY HEALTH L.A. OR
21 COVERED CALIFORNIA? OR WHICH PROGRAM IS BETTER FOR WHO? THANKS
22 FOR ALL THE ANSWERS.
23

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1 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MEMBERS, THIS IS A RECEIVE AND FILE.
2 WITHOUT OBJECTION. WE WILL RECEIVE THE REPORT. WE'RE NOW GOING
3 TO GO ON TO ITEM NO. 12 AND 39-B BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

4

5 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** AND, CHAIR, ON THE ITEM, WHAT I'D
6 LIKE TO CHANGE THE REPORT BACK TIME FROM 30 DAYS TO TWO WEEKS
7 ON YOUR MOTION RELATED TO THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION AND
8 CONTINUE ITEM 12, THE EMPLOYEE RELATIONS COMMISSION DAILY RATE
9 INCREASE FOR TWO WEEKS TO COINCIDE WITH THE REPORT BACK. THAT
10 WOULD BE MY MOTION. AND I UNDERSTAND SUPERVISOR KUEHL HAS A
11 COMMENT TO ADD ON THAT, TOO.

12

13 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

14

15 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** I JUST WANT TO UNDERSTAND KIND OF THE
16 IMPORT OF THIS. INSTEAD OF APPROVING THE EXISTING AGREEMENT
17 AMENDMENTS, YOU WANT TO CONTINUE ITEM 12 FOR TWO WEEKS. AND ON
18 THE GREEN SHEET MOTION UNDER 39-B ASKING FOR A REVIEW OF THE
19 RATES FOR THE HEARING OFFICERS FOR THE CIVIL SERVICE
20 COMMISSION, AND I WANTED TO ASK IF WE COULD ADD TO THAT REPORT
21 BACK. WE'VE HAD A BIG DISCUSSION ABOUT WHAT THE CIVIL SERVICE
22 COMMISSION DOES WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES AND DISCIPLINE, ET
23 CETERA. AND I HAD HEARD THAT IF THE COMMISSIONERS WANT TO DO
24 SOMETHING MORE HARSH THAN WHAT THE HEARING OFFICER RECOMMENDS,
25 THEY NEED TO REVIEW THE ENTIRE RECORD AND COME UP WITH THEIR

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1 OWN SET OF FINDINGS. OTHERWISE, THEY'RE BOUND BY THE FINDINGS
2 AND THE CONCLUSION OF THE HEARING OFFICER. BUT THEY'RE NOT
3 PAID TO DO THE REVIEW LIKE I THINK THE E.R.C.O.M.
4 COMMISSIONERS MAY BE. I'M NOT CERTAIN, AND I KNOW WE'RE
5 LOOKING AT THAT. AND SO CONSEQUENTLY, THEY'RE NOT AS
6 ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT REVIEWING A 700-PAGE RECORD, WHICH HAS THE
7 RESULT POTENTIALLY OF LETTING A HEARING OFFICERS' DECISION
8 STAND. SO I WONDER IF WE COULD ADD TO THIS AN EXPLORATION OF
9 WHETHER IT'S ALSO FAIR TO SUGGEST PAYING CIVIL SERVICE
10 COMMISSIONERS FOR SPECIFIC HOURS THAT THEY PUT IN REVIEWING
11 THE RECORDS TO COME TO THEIR OWN CONCLUSIONS.

12

13 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** SURE.

14

15 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** RIGHT. I HAVE NO OBJECTION. I THINK THAT'S
16 FINE. SO, ON THESE ITEMS.

17

18 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** AND TO APPROVE 39, BUT 39-B IS WHAT
19 WE'RE DOING.

20

21 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AS AMENDED, RIGHT. WELL, WE HAVE SOME
22 FOLKS THAT WANT TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM. DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL,
23 ERIC PREVEN, WAYNE. THIS IS ITEM 39-B AND 12, MEMBERS. SO,
24 YOU'LL SPEAK ON.

25

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1 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** ON ITEM 39-B AND 12, THOSE WHO WISH
2 TO ADDRESS THI ITEM WILL BE GIVEN A SET TIME TO ADDRESS THESE
3 TWO ITEMS TOGETHER.

4

5 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU. SO, THIS IS ITEM 12, WHICH, AS I THINK
6 WE HAVE AGREED, IS A SUBSTANTIAL INCREASE FOR THE DAILY RATE
7 FOR THE HEARING OFFICERS WHO ARE GOING TO REVIEW CIVIL SERVICE
8 MATTERS. AND I THINK THE SUPERVISORS MADE A COUPLE OF
9 AMENDMENTS, WHICH I NOW UNDERSTAND, AND I APPRECIATE THAT. THE
10 BACKLOG WAS NOT REFERENCED HERE. IS IT A SUBSTANTIAL -- I'M
11 PRETTY SURE WE HAVE A GOOD BACKLOG GETTING INTO THIS GROUP.
12 AND I'M PRETTY SURE THAT THIS GROUP IS APPOINTED BY SACHI
13 HAMAI OR NOW IT WOULD BE BY EXECUTIVE OFFICER. AND BY THE WAY,
14 WELCOME ABOARD. MS. GLASGOW IS NOW THE NEW EXECUTIVE OFFICER.
15 THIS IS YOUR DOMAIN, I AM PRETTY SURE, ALL THESE CIVIL SERVICE
16 HELPERS. I COULD HAVE THAT WRONG, BUT IT'S NICE TO HAVE YOU
17 ABOARD, AND FROM MAYOR ANTONOVICH'S OFFICE FOR MANY YEARS. SO
18 IT'S NOT A BRAND-NEW, FRESH SET OF EYES, BUT IT IS A TRIED AND
19 TRUE COUNTY EMPLOYEE WHO'S DONE AN EXCELLENT JOB. I THINK
20 NOBODY IS GOING TO ARGUE WITH US ON THAT. AND IS \$1,500 ENOUGH
21 FOR A DAILY RATE? NOT SURE. I MEAN, WE MIGHT CONSIDER SHAVING
22 IT DOWN TO \$1,450 AND TOSSING IT ON THE EFFORTS TO FIGHT
23 POVERTY IN THE REST OF THE COUNTY, BUT I DON'T KNOW. I MEAN,
24 IT IS A LOT OF WORK, AND NOBODY IS GOING TO SLOG THROUGH,
25 MAYOR ANTONOVICH, AS SUPERVISOR KUEHL POINTED OUT, A 565 OR

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1 6,000-PAGE POLICE CASE ON A PRO BONO BASIS, EXCEPT FOR
2 DROOYAN, OF COURSE. BUT I JUST THINK THAT THIS IS FANTASTIC,
3 BECAUSE WE'RE FINALLY GETTING AT A WAY TO COMPENSATE THESE
4 GUYS BY A MEASURE OF SOMETHING LIKE 40 OR 60 PERCENT, THANKS
5 TO WICKHAM, AND THIS IS HER AREA, BY THE WAY, EQUITY. I FORGET
6 WHAT THE GROUP WAS WHERE SHE WAS HOUSED PRIOR TO POPPING INTO
7 THE COUNTY COUNSEL'S OFFICE, BUT IT WAS THE EQUITY OFFICE OF
8 SOMETHING OR OTHER. BUT IT'S A GREAT PLACE, AND THEY DO A
9 TERRIFIC JOB AT PROTECTING THE EMPLOYEES AND ALL OF OUR
10 RIGHTS. THANK YOU.

11

12 **WAYNE SPINDLER:** YES, WHAT AN OUTRAGE. ONLY \$1,500 A DAY FOR
13 THIS. THIS IS RIDICULOUS. IT SHOULD BE MUCH MORE. YOU'RE
14 TALKING ABOUT THE MOST LEARNED SCHOLARS. YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT
15 PEOPLE WHO ARE SCHOLARS. IT TAKES SCHOLARS, MEN WHO HAVE
16 STUDIED IN ENGLAND AND THE UNITED STATES LEARNING THE BRITISH
17 COMMON LAW AND CALIFORNIA LAW AND FEDERAL LAW, ALL OF THESE
18 DIFFERENT LEGAL STANDARDS TO DO THESE HEARINGS, THE CIVIL
19 SERVICE COMMISSION. AND YOU'RE ONLY GOING TO PAY THEM A PER
20 DIEM OF \$1,500 MEASLY DOLLARS? THAT'S A JOB THAT SHOULD GET
21 TWO, THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND A YEAR IF IT WAS A SALARIED JOB.
22 COME ON! EVERYBODY IN THE ROOM HERE GETS \$300,000 BUCKS.
23 THAT'S THE GOING RATE. AND YOU'RE GOING TO GIVE A PER DIEM FOR
24 \$1,500? WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO, DO SIX HEARINGS IN ONE DAY
25 AND PUT THE GUY IN THERE FOR \$1,500? IT'S BULL. NEEDS TO BE

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1 MORE. WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO ATTRACT, DISHWASHERS TO DO THIS
2 WORK? YOU GOT TO HAVE THE BEST PEOPLE. YOU SCREW THIS UP,
3 THESE PEOPLE GO TO FEDERAL COURT, YOU HAVE TO HIRE OUTSIDE
4 COUNSEL. THAT'S HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS IN LEGAL FEES
5 IF YOU GET THIS WRONG. THESE PEOPLE HAVE TO HEAR THESE THINGS
6 AND GET THEM RIGHT. THESE ARE VERY COMPLICATED, INTERWOVEN
7 LAWS THAT HAVE TO BE APPLIED. WAGE STANDARDS. DOES THE FEDERAL
8 LAW APPLY? DOES STATE LAW APPLY? DOES COUNTY LAW APPLY? DOES
9 CITY LAW APPLY? WHICH ONE? THESE ARE THE LEARNED PEOPLE WHO
10 HAVE TO MAKE THESE TOUGH DECISIONS. MAKE IT \$15,000 A DAY.
11 THEN YOU WILL GET THE FINEST PEOPLE. MAYBE YOU CAN HIRE ME,
12 BECAUSE I'LL GIVE THEM ALL A MILLION DOLLARS, BECAUSE THEY
13 DESERVE IT.

14

15 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** TIME EXPIRED. ARNOLD SACHS.

16

17 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS.
18 AND IT'S FASCINATING. ANYBODY HAPPEN TO READ THE LETTER TO THE
19 EDITORS ON MARCH 10, 2016, WHY IT'S HARD TO FIRE LYING COPS,
20 AND TWO PEOPLE WRITE IN PARTICULAR, MICHAEL MILLER, A WRITER.
21 THE WRITER WHO SERVED AS THE CITY ATTORNEY FOR 30 YEARS WAS A
22 HEARING OFFICER FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CIVIL SERVICE
23 COMMISSION. AND THAT'S IMPORTANT TO UNDERSTAND THAT THERE ARE
24 PEOPLE THAT WORK IN OTHER CITIES, IN OTHER CITIES THAT GET
25 APPOINTED TO THESE COMMISSIONS. SO, IN ESSENCE, YOU DON'T

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1 REALLY WANT TO RUFFLE TOO MANY FEATHERS. BUT THE OTHER PERSON
2 WHO WROTE IN, MIKE POST, WAS A RETIRED POLICE CHIEF. IN HIS
3 LETTER HE WRITES, "POLICE OFFICERS SHOULD BE HELD TO A HIGHER
4 STANDARD THAN CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES. VOTERS NEED TO DEMAND THAT
5 THE PEOPLE THEY ELECTED TO THE OFFICE ENSURE THAT THEIR
6 APPOINTED CIVIL COMMISSIONERS HOLD THE LINE ON POLICE
7 DISHONESTY." AND THERE'S THE RUB, BECAUSE YOU ELECT THE PEOPLE
8 WHO NEGOTIATE THE SALARIES WITH THE UNIONS, AND THEN THEY
9 APPOINT COMMISSIONERS TO OVERSEE THE PEOPLE THAT THEY'VE
10 NEGOTIATED CONCESSIONS WITH. THERE'S A CONFLICT OF INTEREST
11 THERE. THE SHERIFF IS NOT ENTITLED TO ENTER INTO NEGOTIATIONS
12 WITH HIS EMPLOYEES. HE DOESN'T TAKE PART OF IT. THE COUNTY
13 DOES. THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DO. AND YET THEN THEY
14 TURN AROUND AND APPOINT THE COMMISSIONERS TO OVERSEE
15 MISCONDUCT FOR THE SHERIFFS. WELL, THEN THEY'RE OVERSEEING
16 MISCONDUCT FOR THE RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES THAT THEY NEGOTIATED
17 IN CONTRACTS. THAT JUST DOESN'T MAKE SENSE. IT'S A CONFLICT OF
18 INTEREST. YOU OUGHT TO TALK TO THE COMMISSIONERS ON THE CIVIL
19 SERVICE BOARD.

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21 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MEMBERS, THIS ITEM IS BEFORE US, 12 AND
22 39-B AS AMENDED, FRIENDLY AMENDMENTS BOTH ACCEPTED BY
23 ANTONOVICH AND KUEHL, AND SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER. WE WILL NOW
24 TURN TO ADJOURNMENTS. AND WE'LL START WITH SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

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1 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. I MOVE THAT WHEN
2 WE ADJOURN TODAY WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF HAROLD VICTOR BROWN.
3 HE'S FORMER CHAIRMAN OF THE SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT
4 BOARD AND DIED ON MARCH 9TH. HE RECEIVED HIS DOCTORATE IN
5 PUBLIC HEALTH FROM U.C.L.A., WAS DIRECTOR OF THE U.C.L.A.
6 OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND SAFETY FOR MANY YEARS, AND
7 FOLLOWING HIS RETIREMENT, HE BECAME A MEMBER AND THEN CHAIRMAN
8 OF THAT BOARD. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS CHILDREN HOWARD AND
9 MARSHA. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY
10 OF HAROLD LASSOFF, WHO DIED ON MARCH 7TH. A BRENTWOOD ICON AND
11 PHARMACIST, HE STARTED THE BRENT-AIR PHARMACY IN 1950. IT
12 SERVED MANY, MANY GENERATIONS OF PATIENTS IN BRENTWOOD FOR
13 MORE THAN 65 YEARS. HE WAS HONORED BY THE CITY OF L.A. AS
14 BRENTWOOD CITIZEN OF THE YEAR IN 1992. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS
15 WIFE, GRACE, AND HIS FOUR SONS. AND I MOVE THAT WHEN WE
16 ADJOURN TODAY WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF BARBARA PASCAL. SHE'S
17 OWNER OF THE PROMINENT LOS ANGELES ARTISTS' BOOK GALLERY ART-
18 WORKS WHO DIED ON MARCH 9TH. SHE WAS A WELL-KNOWN FIGURE IN
19 FEMINIST ART CIRCLES IN THE CITY DATING BACK TO THE MID '60S,
20 AND SHE SOLD ARTISTS' BOOKS IN VENICE, ON LA BREA, AND AT
21 BERGAMOT STATION. SHE WAS VERY ACTIVE IN THE FEMINIST ART
22 MOVEMENT OF THE '70S, WORKED AT THE WOMEN'S BUILDING IN
23 DOWNTOWN L.A. WHEN IT WAS FOUNDED IN 1975. HER EXTENSIVE
24 ARTISTS' BOOKS COLLECTION HAS BEEN DONATED TO THE YALE ART
25 LIBRARY'S SPECIAL COLLECTIONS. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND,

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1 TONY, AND TWO DAUGHTERS, AMY AND JENNY. AND I MOVE THAT WHEN
2 WE ADJOURN TODAY WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF CLIFFORD DEKTAR,
3 MEMBER OF THE ORIGINAL STAFF OF THE OLD L.A. MIRROR AND A TOP
4 EXECUTIVE AND LEADER IN THE PUBLIC RELATIONS PROFESSION IN
5 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FOR OVER 40 YEARS. HE WAS THREE-TERM
6 GOVERNOR OF THE ACADEMY OF TELEVISION ARTS AND SCIENCES,
7 MEMBER OF THE L.A. CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT'S CITIZENS PUBLIC
8 RELATIONS ADVISORY COMMITTEE, MEMBER AND CHAIR OF THE PROGRAM
9 GROUP ON COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS OF THE EPISCOPAL
10 DIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES, PRESIDENT OF THE LOS ANGELES CHAPTER,
11 PUBLIC RELATIONS SOCIETY OF AMERICA, AND A FOUNDER OF THE
12 U.S.C. JOURNALISM ALUMNI ASSOCIATION. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS
13 WIFE, JOAN, AND HIS CHILDREN JOHN, DANIEL, AND ELLEN, AND HIS
14 SISTER EVELYN. AND I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY WE
15 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF SHERI KAPP. SHE WAS RAISED, EDUCATED AND
16 WORKED IN L.A. COUNTY HER WHOLE LIFE, EARNED A BACHELOR'S
17 DEGREE IN PSYCHOLOGY AND A MASTER'S IN EARLY CHILDHOOD
18 DEVELOPMENT AT CAL STATE NORTHRIDGE. SHE WENT ON TO RUN THE
19 C.S.U.N. CHILDCARE CENTER. SHE WORKED FOR HER BROTHER, HOWARD
20 KAPP, IN HIS LAW OFFICE FROM 1988 TO 2016. SHE'S SURVIVED BY
21 HER MOTHER, JO, DAUGHTER STACEY, AND HER BROTHERS "MARTY AND
22 HOWARD. AND I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN
23 MEMORY OF KEITH EMERSON. KEITH EMERSON WAS A BRITISH
24 KEYBOARDIST AND FOUNDING MEMBER OF THE PROGRESSIVE ROCK BAND
25 EMERSON, LAKE AND PALMER WHO DIED MARCH 10TH. HE FORMED THE

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1 BAND EMERSON, LAKE AND PALMER WITH GUITARIST GREG LAKE AND
2 DRUMMER CARL PALMER IN 1970, AND HE ALSO RELEASED SIX SOLO
3 ALBUMS. HE WAS KNOWN FOR HIS VIRTUOSITY WITH HAMMOND ORGAN AND
4 MOOG SYNTHESIZERS, ONE OF THE MOST DIFFICULT FORMS OF
5 SYNTHESIZERS TO "TAME," AS HE USED TO PUT IT. AND HE WAS ALSO
6 KNOWN FOR HIS SPECTACULAR ANTICS DURING LIVE PERFORMANCES. HE
7 STUDIED CLASSICAL AND JAZZ MUSIC BEFORE BLENDING THEM WITH
8 ROCK INTO THE STYLE THAT EVENTUALLY BROUGHT HIM CRITICAL AND
9 COMMERCIAL SUCCESS. AND FINALLY, I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN
10 TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF LLOYD SHAPLEY, CO-WINNER OF THE
11 2012 NOBEL PRIZE IN ECONOMICS WHO DIED ON MARCH 12TH. HIS WORK
12 IN MARKET DESIGN LAID THE FOUNDATION FOR ADVANCES IN THE
13 MATCHING OF KIDNEY DONORS WITH TRANSPLANT RECIPIENTS, IN
14 COLLEGE ADMISSION PROCEDURES, AND IN ASSIGNMENT OF CHILDREN TO
15 PUBLIC SCHOOLS. HE WORKED AS A RESEARCH MATHEMATICIAN AT RAND
16 FROM 1954 TO 1981 AND WAS PROFESSOR EMERITUS AT U.C.L.A. WHEN
17 HE RECEIVED THE NOBEL PRIZE. HE WAS ALSO THE SECOND OLDEST
18 PERSON EVER TO WIN A NOBEL PRIZE AND IS SURVIVED BY TWO SONS.
19 THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR.

20

21 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER.
22 SUPERVISOR KNABE.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. I'D LIKE TODAY TO ADJOURN
25 IN MEMORY OF JOE ANTHONY "TONY" AVILA, WHO PASSED AWAY

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1 PEACEFULLY ON FRIDAY MARCH 11TH AT THE AGE OF 59 AFTER A BRAVE
2 BATTLE WITH CANCER. TONY WAS BORN IN 1956 IN MAYWOOD AND GREW
3 UP WITH A STRONG CONNECTION TO CHURCH AND COMMUNITY,
4 PARTICIPATING AS AN ALTAR BOY AND BOY SCOUT INTO HIS
5 ADOLESCENCE. GROWING UP, HE DEVELOPED AN INSATIABLE LOVE OF
6 READING MECHANICS AND BELIEVED THAT THE PERSON SHOULD NEVER
7 STOP LEARNING. HE HAD A PASSION FOR EVERYTHING ABOUT CARS AND
8 TRUCKS, ESPECIALLY HOT RODS THAT HE LOVED TO TAKE APART, FIX.
9 HE LOVED MUSIC. HE WAS VERY COMPASSIONATE WITH AN UNWAVERING
10 CONFIDENCE TO TEACH OTHERS TO ALWAYS DO THE RIGHT THING AND
11 ALWAYS DO IT THE RIGHT WAY AND HAVE NO EXCUSES. HE TOUCHED THE
12 LIVES OF MANY OVER ALL OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, PARTICULARLY
13 MANY AUTOMOTIVE CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS HE WORKED ON AS A YOUNG
14 MAN AND COULD STILL BE SEEN TODAY ON THE ROADS. HE'S SURVIVED
15 BY HIS WIFE, AUDREY, HIS CHILDREN, ANDREA, WHO IS A STAFF
16 MEMBER OF MINE, ANTHONY, STEPDAUGHTER MIRANDA, AND GRANDSON
17 DANIEL, HIS MOTHER, AND THREE SISTERS. HE WILL BE TRULY MISSED
18 BY ALL WHO KNEW HIM AND BY THOSE LIVES THAT HE TOUCHED WITH
19 HIS GENEROSITY, KINDNESS, AND LOVE OF LIFE. ALSO THAT WE
20 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF LURA OTTO SCOVILLE, WHO PASSED AWAY ON
21 FEBRUARY 8TH. SHE MARRIED DON OTTO IN 1941, AND THE COUPLE
22 MOVED TO LONG BEACH. THEY ADOPTED TWIN BOYS, DON AND DOUG, AND
23 IN '76 MARRIED HARMON SCOVILLE, THE PRESIDING JUSTICE OF THE
24 4TH DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL. SHE HAD A DISTINGUISHED CAREER
25 BEGINNING AS A LEGAL SECRETARY IN LONG BEACH AND BECOMING THE

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1 PROBATE EXAMINER FOR ORANGE COUNTY, WHERE SHE WORKED FOR 20
2 YEARS AND BECAME RECOGNIZED STATEWIDE WITH AN OUTSTANDING
3 KNOWLEDGE OF PROBATE LAW. SHE WILL BE MISSED. SHE IS IS
4 SURVIVED BY HER SON DOUG, HIS WIFE, FREDA, THE EXTENDED
5 SCOVILLE CHILDREN, AND OTHERS. SO, MANY GRANDCHILDREN AND
6 GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. GREAT LADY, WILL BE MISSED BY ALL WHO
7 KNEW HER. THOSE ARE MY TWO ADJOURNMENTS, MADAME CHAIR.

8

9 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER.
10 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

11

12 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** FIRST I'D LIKE TWO FOR SUPERVISOR
13 MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS. HE HAS TWO ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS. ONE IS
14 HOWARD GIVENS, JR., BORN ON FEBRUARY 7, 1928 IN YORKVILLE,
15 OHIO, PASSED AWAY ON FEBRUARY 12TH AT THE AGE OF 88. HE
16 ATTENDED FORT VALLEY STATE COLLEGE IN GEORGIA ON AN ATHLETIC
17 SCHOLARSHIP AFTER RECEIVING A LETTER IN FOOTBALL, BASKETBALL
18 AND TRACK IN HIGH SCHOOL. IN 1948 HE DRAFTED INTO THE
19 SEGREGATED U.S. ARMY BUT SOON EXPERIENCED THE ARMY'S
20 DESEGREGATION POLICIES. HE ENTERED OFFICERS' TRAINING AND
21 SERVED IN GERMANY. UPON HIS HONORABLE DISCHARGE AT THE RANK OF
22 SERGEANT FIRST CLASS, HE MARRIED ELOISE "TERRI" PORTER IN
23 DETROIT AND SWEEPED HER AWAY ON A 30-DAY HONEYMOON IN MEXICO. HE
24 CONTINUED HIS SERVICE IN THE MICHIGAN NATIONAL GUARD, THEN
25 JOINED THE CIVILIAN SERVICE AS A TANK AND AUTOMOTIVE COMMAND

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1 LOGISTICIAN AND FOR THE U.S. ARMY. AFTER 28 YEARS OF SERVICE,
2 RETIRED IN 1988. AN ENTREPRENEUR IN NATURE, HE OPERATED TWO
3 BUSINESSES BEFORE ESTABLISHING ULTIMATE JANITORIAL SERVICE,
4 INCORPORATED, WHICH GREW TO HOLD CONTRACTS IN SEVEN STATES IN
5 15 YEARS. HOWARD AND TERRY TRAVELED TO SIX OF THE SEVEN
6 CONTINENTS, MADE FRIENDS EVERYWHERE WHILE ENJOYING THE
7 FULLNESS OF LIFE AND WELCOMED THEM TO THEIR HOME. HE ENJOYED
8 BUILDING HOMES, INCLUDING HIS RETIREMENT HOME IN LAS VEGAS. HE
9 WAS A CONVERTED ROMAN CATHOLIC, ROSE TO A FOURTH-DEGREE MEMBER
10 OF THE FRATERNAL ORGANIZATION OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS. HE
11 WILL BE REMEMBERED AS A DEVOTED HUSBAND, LOVING SON, TRAVELER,
12 ENTREPRENEUR, CIVIL RIGHTS ADVOCATE, AND FRIEND. MR. GIVENS IS
13 SURVIVED BY HIS SONS DARRICK HOWARD GIVENS AND DERMOT DAMIAN
14 GIVENS, GRANDSONS, GREAT-GRANDSONS, A HOST OF FAMILY MEMBERS,
15 HIS TUESDAY POKER BUDDIES, AND DEAR FRIENDS AROUND THE WORLD
16 WHO WILL MISS HIM DEARLY. AND ALSO, JOHN EVANS, JR. WHO WAS
17 BORN ON THANKSGIVING DAY, NOVEMBER 28, 1935, IN DEQUINCY,
18 LOUISIANA, PASSED AWAY ON MARCH 3RD AT THE AGE OF 80. HE WAS
19 AN ATHLETE, A HIGH SCHOOL SLUGGER, JOINED THE U.S. ARMY, THEN
20 MOVED TO LOS ANGELES UPON COMPLETING HIS SERVICE IN 1960. HE
21 ATTENDED METROPOLITAN COLLEGE OF BUSINESS MAJORING IN
22 ACCOUNTING. THE FOLLOWING YEAR, HE JOINED LOS ANGELES COUNTY
23 GENERAL HOSPITAL AS AN ENVIRONMENTAL SPECIALIST AND STAFF
24 DEVELOPMENT SPECIALIST UNTIL HE RETIRED FROM MARTIN LUTHER
25 KING, JR. HOSPITAL. IN 1963 HE MET AND WED PATRICIA ANN

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1 CARTER. TOGETHER THEY REARED THEIR SON AND TWO DAUGHTERS. HE
2 ENJOYED CARPENTRY, THE OUTDOORS, FISHING, AND BARBECUING,
3 ESPECIALLY FOR FAMILY GATHERINGS. HE ATTENDED ST. ANSELM
4 CATHOLIC CHURCH FAITHFULLY UNDER FATHER LAWRENCE SHELTON.
5 AFTER PATRICIA'S PASSING, HE FOUND CONSOLATION IN A FELLOW
6 WIDOW, EARLENE, AND FOR TEN YEARS THEY ENJOYED, TRAVELING,
7 DANCING, AND SOCIALIZING TOGETHER. HE WILL BE REMEMBERED AS AN
8 AMIABLE, FRIENDLY, AND FUNNY FRIEND AND HANDY NEIGHBOR. HE IS
9 SURVIVED BY HIS FIANCEE OF 10 YEARS, EARLENE, AND A HOST OF
10 FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS WHO WILL MISS HIM DEARLY. THOSE ARE
11 FOR SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS. AND MY ADJOURNMENTS, I
12 WOULD LIKE TO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF WALTER JACKSON, A LONGTIME
13 RESIDENT OF THE PASADENA-ALTADENA COMMUNITY. HE PASSED AWAY AT
14 THE AGE OF 80. HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE ALTADENA COMMUNITY
15 GARDENS FOR 27 YEARS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS TWO SONS AND FOUR
16 DAUGHTERS, SEVEN GRANDCHILDREN AND 15 GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN. HIS
17 EULOGY AT THE BAPTIST CHURCH, I MENTIONED HE WAS LIKE A GREEN
18 THUMB MOTHER THERESA, BECAUSE HE WAS ONE OF THE LEADERS IN THE
19 ALTADENA COMMUNITY GARDEN. HIS VEGETABLES, HE WAS AN AWARD
20 WINNER ON THOSE. MY FAMILY HAD THE OPPORTUNITY OF SHARING
21 THOSE FROM TIME TO TIME. BUT HE WAS A GOOD MAN WHO WAS
22 INVOLVED WITH THE POLICE DEPARTMENTS, CHIEF SANCHEZ OF THE
23 PASADENA POLICE DEPARTMENT, WITH OUR SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, AND
24 HELPING THOSE AT-RISK YOUTH IN ALL. HE WAS JUST A REAL GOOD
25 ROLE MODEL AND A WONDERFUL MAN. BETTE JEAN CORRICK VOLK PASSED

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1 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 95. SHE HAD BEEN AN ACTIVE SUPPORTER OF THE
2 LUMINAIRES OF THE DOHENY EYE INSTITUTE AND THE PASADENA GUILD
3 OF CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL, ALSO A MEMBER OF THE CALIFORNIA CLUB,
4 ANNANDALE OAK CLUB, VALLEY HUNT CLUB, AND THE NEWPORT HARBOR
5 YACHT CLUB. SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER FOUR CHILDREN AND HER
6 SISTER. ROBERT SAVICH, MEMBER OF ST. STEVENS ORTHODOX CHURCH,
7 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 78 AND HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE
8 AND HIS SISTER AND DAUGHTERS. DR. RICHARD CORDANO SERVED IN
9 THE UNITED STATES NAVY, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 94. HE
10 EARNED HIS BACHELOR'S DEGREE, MASTER'S, AND DOCTORATE FROM
11 U.S.C. HE LATER BECAME PRINCIPAL OF ARCADIA HIGH SCHOOL. PRIOR
12 TO THAT, HE WAS AN EDUCATOR AND TEACHER IN PASADENA UNIFIED
13 AND THE ARCADIA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT. HE WAS AN HONORARY
14 MEMBER OF THE PASADENA TOURNAMENT OF ROSES, WHERE HE HAD
15 SERVED FOR MANY YEARS AS A WHITE SUITER. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS
16 DAUGHTER AND SISTER. ALSO WANT TO JOIN IN ON CLIFF DECKTAR.
17 DECKTAR WAS A PERSONAL FRIEND. HE WAS VERY CLOSE TO DAWSON
18 OPPENHEIMER, MY FORMER COMMUNICATIONS DEPUTY. THAT'S WHERE WE
19 FIRST MET ABOUT 30 YEARS AGO. AND HE HAD MANY GOOD IDEAS AND
20 SUGGESTIONS, WHICH WE WERE ABLE TO USE IN OUR VARIOUS PUBLIC
21 POLICY ISSUES. BUT AS SHEILA HAD MENTIONED, HE HAD WORKED FOR
22 A.B.C. T.V.'S PRESS INFORMATION DEPARTMENT AND ALSO AS A
23 THREE-TERM GOVERNOR OF THE ACADEMY OF TELEVISION ARTS AND
24 SCIENCES AND MEMBER OF THE L.A. CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT'S CITIZEN
25 PUBLIC RELATIONS ADVISORY COMMITTEE. BUT HE WAS ALWAYS A

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1 PERSON WHO WOULD VOLUNTEER AND HELP AND HAD GOOD SUGGESTIONS.
2 AND SO OUR SYMPATHIES TO HIS WIFE AND THEIR THREE CHILDREN.
3 PASTOR DAVID JOHNSTON OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY PASSED AWAY AT
4 THE AGE OF 47 FOLLOWING A BATTLE WITH CANCER. HE HAD BEEN THE
5 PASTOR, YOUTH PASTOR AT THE VALLEY BAPTIST BIBLE CHURCH FOR 25
6 YEARS, AND HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND THEIR SONS AND
7 DAUGHTER. ALSO FROM THE ANTELOPE VALLEY, WAYNE ROSENBERGER
8 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 75. HE WAS A UNITED STATES ARMY
9 VETERAN AND HE HAD WORKED IN THE BANKING INDUSTRY FOR OVER 50
10 YEARS. AND HE LEAVES HIS WIFE AND THEIR TWO SONS. DEPUTY
11 ROBERT BULLARD PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 74. HE WAS A VIETNAM
12 VETERAN AS WELL AS HE WORKED WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND
13 HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND THEIR TWO SONS. DAVID [DONALD]
14 FORSYTHE, RETIRED LIEUTENANT FROM THE L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF'S
15 DEPARTMENT PASSED AWAY ON THIS PAST MONTH, AND HE HAD RETIRED
16 IN 1980. JANET WILLIAMS, RETIRED CAPTAIN OF L.A. COUNTY
17 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. SHE HAD JOINED THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
18 IN 1974 AND RETIRED IN 2005. HER LAST UNIT OF COMMAND WAS THE
19 COMMUNITY COLLEGE BUREAU. AND ONE OF THE GREAT ENTERTAINERS OF
20 ALL TIME WAS GOGI GRANT, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 91 ON
21 MARCH 10TH. AND "THE WAYWARD WIND," WHICH IS STILL JUST AS IT
22 WAS WRITTEN YESTERDAY, IT IS STILL BEING PLAYED, AND SHE
23 PROVIDED VOCALS FOR MANY FILMS AND ONE OF THE GREAT
24 ENTERTAINERS IN THE TRADITION OF PERRY COMO AND BING CROSBY

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1 AND TONY BENNETT AND ALL. BUT THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENT
2 MOTIONS.

3

4 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** LET ME JUST ADD THAT WE'VE HAD -- WE
7 TALK ABOUT PROP 109 AND A.B.-109 AND 47. IN MY NEIGHBORHOOD
8 WHERE I RESIDE, ON THE STREET I RESIDE AND MY NEIGHBORING
9 STREETS, WE'VE HAD OVER 10 OR WHATEVER MANY BURGLARIES,
10 ROBBERIES. IT'S AN ORGANIZED EFFORT. AND SO IT'S SO BAD THAT
11 THE NEIGHBORS NOW ARE HAVING EVERYBODY SIGN UP WHERE THEY WILL
12 BE HIRING SECURITY, PRIVATE SECURITY TO PATROL THE STREETS IN
13 THE AREA WHERE WE LIVE. AND IT'S -- I TALKED TO THE CHIEF OF
14 POLICE IN GLENDALE. HE'S AWARE OF IT. THEY HAVE SPECIAL
15 PATROLS AND ALL. BUT IT IS BASICALLY ALMOST A DAILY EVENT,
16 SOME HOMES BEING KNOCKED OFF DURING THE DAYTIME. IT'S AN
17 ORGANIZED EFFORT AND WHATEVER. BUT THE F.B.I. STATISTICS FOR
18 CALIFORNIA PROPERTY CRIMES ARE UP 116 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR,
19 AND THE MURDER RATE IN L.A., I DON'T KNOW IF THIS IS L.A. CITY
20 OR L.A. COUNTY, BUT THE MURDER RATES ARE UP 27 PERCENT. BUT
21 IT'S A QUITE SERIOUS ISSUE. AND THE LAST ONE, A BUSINESS THAT
22 GREW UP WHERE I GREW UP IN SOUTH CENTRAL LOS ANGELES, CARL'S
23 JR. IS NOW -- THEY'RE MOVING TO TENNESSEE. THEY'RE LEAVING
24 CALIFORNIA, THEIR CORPORATE HEADQUARTERS, SADLY AND ALL. SO,
25 AGAIN, THE TAXES ARE REALLY -- WE'VE LOST 9,000 BUSINESSES

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1 DURING THIS PAST DECADE, INCLUDING TOYOTA IN DON'S DISTRICT
2 AND SOME OF THE MAJOR ONES IN MY AREA, AS WELL. SO IT'S A VERY
3 SERIOUS ISSUE. THEY'RE MOVING TO TEXAS, FLORIDA AND TENNESSEE.
4 THOSE ARE SOME OF THE BIG PLACES THAT OUR BUSINESSES, OUR JOBS
5 ARE GOING, WHICH MEANS THE RESIDENTS OF L.A. COUNTY WILL BE
6 MOVING THERE, AS WELL. SO, THAT'S ALL I HAVE TO SAY.

7

8 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, WITHOUT OBJECTION. I HAVE ONE
9 ADJOURNMENT. TODAY I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN, WE ADJOURN IN
10 MEMORY OF JESUS MANUEL JIMENEZ. MR. JIMENEZ WAS BORN IN LOS
11 ANGELES, CALIFORNIA AND PASSED AWAY ON FEBRUARY 28TH AT THE
12 AGE OF 80. THE FIRST OF SIX CHILDREN, HE GRADUATED FROM
13 POLYTECHNIC HIGH SCHOOL IN 1954, TOOK COURSES AT L.A. TRADE
14 TECH AND EAST LOS ANGELES COLLEGE. HE MARRIED HIS WIFE, OLGA,
15 KNOWN TO US AS "BONNIE," IN 1954 AND HAD 62 WONDERFUL YEARS
16 TOGETHER. MANUEL WAS A FAMILY MAN AT HEART. HE WAS VERY
17 INVOLVED IN HIS CHILDREN'S EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AND MADE
18 SURE EVERY SUMMER THE FAMILY WENT OUT ON VACATIONS IN PLACES
19 SUCH AS DISNEYLAND, THE GRAND CANYON, AND MEXICO. MANUEL AND
20 BONNIE WERE CIVICALLY ACTIVE, AND BONNIE'S BIGGEST SUPPORTER
21 ON HER CAMPAIGN FOR CITY COUNCIL WAS HER HUSBAND. SHE SERVED
22 AS VICE MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBER FOR THE CITY OF EL MONTE. HE
23 WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS BRIGHT SMILE AND HIS LOVE, FUN,
24 LAUGHTER, AND GOOD COMPANY. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 62
25 YEARS, OLGA, BONNIE, HIS CHILDREN MICHAEL, CHRISTINE AND

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1 VINCENT, HIS GRANDCHILDREN, NICKY, ROBERT AND ELANIE, GREAT-
2 GRANDCHILDREN, AND A HOST OF EXTENDED FAMILY MEMBERS. HE'LL BE
3 MISSED IN THE COMMUNITY OF EL MONTE. THANK YOU. WE NOW HAVE
4 PUBLIC COMMENT. WE HAVE SEVERAL INDIVIDUALS THAT WOULD LIKE TO
5 SPEAK TO US. PATRICIA MENDOZA, WHO I BELIEVE WILL SERVE AS
6 INTERPRETER FOR PEDRO PESCANERA, EDGARDO DIAZ, MARIA PORKAYO.
7 I BELIEVE THAT IS ONE GROUP. PATRICIA? YES, GO AHEAD, HAVE A
8 SEAT. WILL YOU BE INTERPRETING FOR THEM?

9

10 **PATRICIA MENDOZA:** YES.

11

12 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SO THEY'LL SPEAK, AND WE'LL GIVE YOU THE
13 AMOUNT OF TIME APPROPRIATE.

14

15 **PATRICIA MENDOZA:** SURE.

16

17 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, SO, YOU'RE FIRST. WOULD YOU
18 LIKE TO SPEAK FIRST, OR WOULD THEY?

19

20 **PATRICIA MENDOZA:** I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK AT THE END.

21

22 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, THEN. PEDRO?

23

24 **PEDRO PESCANERA:** MY NAME IS PEDRO PESCANERA. [SPEAKING
25 SPANISH.]

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2 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** MY NAME IS PEDRO PESCANERA.
3 TODAY I COME TO -- WOULD LIKE TO INFORM AND FILE A COMPLAINT
4 REGARDING THE DEPARTMENT OF THE SHERIFF OF THE CITY OF
5 LYNWOOD.

6

7 **PEDRO PESCANERA:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

8

9 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** I'VE CALLED THE SHERIFFS
10 AROUND 20 TIMES TO INFORM THEM THAT THE LANDLORD AND OTHERS
11 HAVE ALREADY SENT THE GANG MEMBERS TO THREATEN ME, WHICH THEY
12 ALREADY DID WITH A GUN, BUT IT DIDN'T HAVE A BULLET. THEY
13 HARASSED ME, THEY THREATENED ME, THEY TELL ME WORDS, BAD
14 WORDS.

15

16 **PEDRO PESCANERA:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

17

18 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** I'VE CALLED THE LANDLORD MANY
19 TIMES THAT THE TENANTS EVERY DAY MOSTLY THEY BLOCK US FOR US
20 TO EXIT FROM THE PROPERTY SO WE CAN GO TO WORK. I SPEND MONEY
21 OUT OF MY POCKET. WE'VE ARRIVED LATE TO WORK. WE LIVE IN A
22 VERY -- IN A BUILDING WHICH IS INFESTED OF COCKROACHES. I HAVE
23 COMPLAINED MANY TIMES TO THE LANDLORD.

24

25 **PEDRO PESCANERA:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

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1

2 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** MANY TIMES I'VE CALLED THE
3 SHERIFFS COMPLAINING THAT THE TENANT IN THE BOTTOM HAS MUSIC
4 VERY, VERY LOUD. WHEN THE SHERIFFS ARRIVE, THEY SAY THEY CAN'T
5 DO ANYTHING. THE SHERIFFS LOOK VERY, VERY TIRED. THEIR EYES
6 LOOK VERY, VERY WATERY. SO AT THE END, THEY DON'T HELP ME.

7

8 **PEDRO PESCANERA:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

9

10 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** I MYSELF AM VERY TIRED AND MY
11 DAUGHTER, SHE'S BECOMING VERY NERVOUS WHERE WE'RE AFRAID THAT
12 THEY'RE GOING TO DO SOMETHING TO US OR THEY'RE GOING TO KILL
13 US AND WE DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO ANYMORE.

14

15 **PEDRO PESCANERA:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

16

17 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** THE DEPARTMENT OF THE SHERIFF
18 IN THE CITY OF LYNWOOD, THE ONLY THING THAT THEY'VE DONE IS
19 LAUGH AT US. THEY MAKE JOKES AND...

20

21 **PEDRO PESCANERA:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

22

23 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** THEY LAUGH AT ME AND THEY
24 LAUGH AT MY FAMILY. AND AT THE END, THEY TELL ME ALL THE TIME,

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1 "WE'RE SORRY, WE CANNOT HELP YOU, BECAUSE IT'S A PRIVATE
2 PROPERTY."

3

4 **PEDRO PESCANERA:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

5

6 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** I DON'T SLEEP ANYMORE.

7

8 **PEDRO PESCANERA:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

9

10 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** I HAVE TO TAKE MY SON TO
11 WORK, BECAUSE I DON'T FEEL SAFE FOR HIM TO BE STAYING.

12

13 **PEDRO PESCANERA:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

14

15 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** HE ALSO IS NOT DOING GOOD IN
16 SCHOOL FOR THE SAME REASON THAT HE DOESN'T HAVE TIME TO DO HIS
17 HOMEWORK.

18

19 **PEDRO PESCANERA:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

20

21 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** THEY ALSO, SOMEONE SENT
22 SOMEONE TO ASK MY SON FOR THE FAMILY'S FACEBOOK, AND THAT'S
23 NOT NORMAL FOR AN ADULT TO ASK THOSE QUESTIONS.

24

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1 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. THERE IS A REPRESENTATIVE FROM
2 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, WHO OVERSEES THE LYNWOOD AREA. SHE'S
3 STANDING RIGHT THERE IN THE PINK, AND HE CAN TALK TO HER.
4 [REPEATS IN SPANISH.]

5

6 **PEDRO PESCANERA:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

7

8 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** THANK YOU VERY, VERY MUCH FOR
9 YOUR HELP.

10

11 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** LET'S GO ON. EDUARDO DIAZ.

12

13 **MARIA PORCAYO:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

14

15 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, IT'S OKAY, MARIA. GO AHEAD.

16

17 **MARIA PORCAYO:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

18

19 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** MY NAME IS MARIA PORCAYO.

20

21 **MARIA PORCAYO:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

22

23 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** TODAY I COME WITH ALL DUE
24 RESPECT TO ASK YOU IF YOU CAN PLEASE OPEN AN INVESTIGATION
25 REGARDING THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT.

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1

2 **MARIA PORCAYO:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

3

4 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** ABOUT 10 YEARS AGO, ONE OF MY
5 DAUGHTERS WENT TO GO PICK UP MY OTHER DAUGHTER AT HIGH SCHOOL.

6

7 **MARIA PORCAYO:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

8

9 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** SHE WAS BEATEN UP VERY, VERY
10 BADLY.

11

12 **MARIA PORCAYO:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

13

14 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** THERE WAS AN AMBULANCE THAT
15 PICKED HER UP.

16

17 **MARIA PORCAYO:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

18

19 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** HER WHOLE FACE WAS SWOLLEN
20 AND PURPLE.

21

22 **MARIA PORCAYO:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

23

24 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** I HAVE PICTURES.

25

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1 **MARIA PORCAYO:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

2

3 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** THERE WAS NEVER AN
4 INVESTIGATION.

5

6 **MARIA PORCAYO:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

7

8 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** THE DEPUTY THAT WENT WITH MY
9 DAUGHTER TO THE HOSPITAL, AT THE END, HE BLAMED HER.

10

11 **MARIA PORCAYO:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

12

13 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** THERE WAS NO REASON FOR HER
14 TO BE THERE.

15

16 **MARIA PORCAYO:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

17

18 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** AT THAT MOMENT HE HAD TO BE
19 SOMEWHERE ELSE.

20

21 **MARIA PORCAYO:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

22

23 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** WE HAD TO REQUEST AND DEMAND
24 FOR THEM TO TAKE PICTURES OF MY DAUGHTER.

25

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1 **MARIA PORCAYO:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

2

3 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** IT HAS AFFECTED ME
4 EMOTIONALLY FOR MANY YEARS UNTIL PRESENT.

5

6 **MARIA PORCAYO:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

7

8 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** AND TODAY I COME TO ASK ALL
9 OF YOU IF YOU GUYS CAN PLEASE HELP, AND I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW
10 IF YOU CAN ALSO HELP WITH AN INVESTIGATION.

11

12 **MARIA PORCAYO:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

13

14 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** I ALSO WOULD LIKE TO INFORM
15 YOU THAT THE DIRECTOR, PRINCIPAL FROM THE HIGH SCHOOL WHERE
16 ONE OF MY DAUGHTERS USED TO ATTEND...

17

18 **MARIA PORCAYO:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

19

20 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** HE ALSO BLAMED MY DAUGHTER.

21

22 **MARIA PORCAYO:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

23

24 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** HE TOLD HER THAT SHE NO
25 LONGER COULD -- THAT SHE NEEDED TO LEAVE THE HIGH SCHOOL.

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1

2 **MARIA PORCAYO:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

3

4 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** AT THE END OF THE DAY, THAT
5 DIRECTOR/PRINCIPAL THEY INVESTIGATED THAT HE WAS A PERSON THAT
6 SEXUALLY ABUSED OR MOLESTED THE STUDENTS OR KIDS.

7

8 **MARIA PORCAYO:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

9

10 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** I BELIEVE THE DIRECTOR,
11 PRINCIPAL AND THE SHERIFF'S, THEY ALL WORKED TOGETHER LIKE A
12 GROUP.

13

14 **MARIA PORCAYO:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

15

16 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** THE ONLY THING WE RECEIVED
17 WAS THREATS.

18

19 **MARIA PORCAYO:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

20

21 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** THEY ALSO THREATENED US THAT
22 WE CAN GET A FINE OF \$500 OR MY DAUGHTER WILL BE GOING TO
23 JAIL.

24

25 **MARIA PORCAYO:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

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1

2 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** THERE WAS NEVER A COURT
3 HEARING AND WE NEVER ENTERED COURT. THANK YOU.

4

5 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THERE'S ALSO AN INDIVIDUAL, THE SAME
6 PERSON THAT SHE CAN SPEAK TO.

7

8 **PATRICIA MENDOZA:** [INTERPRETS.]

9

10 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND THEN FOR EDUARDO DIAZ?

11

12 **EDUARDO DIAZ:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

13

14 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS
15 EDUARDO DIAZ.

16

17 **EDUARDO DIAZ:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

18

19 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** WITH ALL DUE RESPECT, TODAY I
20 AM COMING TO COMPLAIN REGARDING THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT.

21

22 **EDUARDO DIAZ:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

23

24 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** REGARDING THERE'S A LOT OF
25 NEGLIGENCE AND WRONGDOING FROM THEIR SIDE.

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1

2 **EDUARDO DIAZ:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

3

4 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** EVERY TIME I CALL THEM AND
5 THERE'S SOME KIND OF INCIDENT WHERE I LIVE...

6

7 **EDUARDO DIAZ:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

8

9 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** ...INCIDENTS LIKE ME HAVING
10 WITH THE TENANTS OR THE LANDLORD...

11

12 **EDUARDO DIAZ:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

13

14 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** EVERY TIME HE CALLS, THEY
15 ALWAYS TELL HIM THAT THEY DON'T HAVE TIME, THEY HAVE OTHER
16 IMPORTANT THINGS TO DO AND THAT THEY CANNOT BE WASTING THEIR
17 TIME.

18

19 **EDUARDO DIAZ:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

20

21 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** AT THE MOMENT WHEN I'M HAVING
22 A PROBLEM, I DO REQUEST AND I ASK IF I CAN DO A POLICE REPORT.

23

24 **EDUARDO DIAZ:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

25

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1 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** THEY ALWAYS TELL ME NO,
2 THERE'S NOTHING THEY CAN DO.

3

4 **EDUARDO DIAZ:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

5

6 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** I DO ASK IF THEY CAN PLEASE
7 DO ME THE FAVOR, THEY CAN TALK TO THE OTHER PEOPLE THAT ARE
8 HARMING ME AND CAUSING DAMAGE TO ME, AND THEY TELL ME NO.

9

10 **EDUARDO DIAZ:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

11

12 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** THAT IS THE REASON THAT THE
13 TENANTS AND THE LANDLORDS, THEY TAKE ADVANTAGE, THEY ABUSE ME.
14 THEY ALSO BLOCK ME WHEN I NEED TO EXIT THE BACK PARKING LOT TO
15 GO TO WORK.

16

17 **EDUARDO DIAZ:** [SPEAKING SPANISH.]

18

19 **PATRICIA MENDOZA [INTERPRETING]:** I'VE ALREADY BEEN INFORMED
20 THAT, WHERE I WORK, THAT BECAUSE I DO ARRIVE ONE HOUR LATE
21 THAT IF I DON'T ARRIVE ON TIME, THEY'RE GOING TO LET ME GO.

22

23 **EDUARDO DIAZ:** THIS ALL GOES BACK TO THE SAME THING THAT THE
24 POLICE OR SOMETHING, I CALL AND THEY'LL BE LIKE, I CAN'T, TOO
25 MUCH, WE CAN'T GO. IT'S NOT AN EMERGENCY. AND...

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1

2 **PATRICIA MENDOZA:** ESPANOL OR ENGLISH? SPANISH OR IN ENGLISH?

3

4 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SPEAK ENGLISH IF YOU CAN, YEAH.

5

6 **EDUARDO DIAZ:** I'M SORRY. [SPEAKING SPANISH.] BASICALLY -- I'M
7 SORRY. I'M SCARED FOR MY FAMILY, BASICALLY. THAT'S WHAT IT IS.
8 AND THAT'S WHY I WANTED THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HELP. I NEED
9 THEIR HELP BECAUSE I HAVE A SEVEN-YEAR-OLD. I HAVE A THREE-
10 YEAR-OLD. I HAVE MY WIFE, SHE ALREADY HAS, MOST OF THE TIMES
11 NERVOUS BREAKDOWNS FROM THE WHOLE STRESS THAT SHE GETS. HER
12 SCHOOLING IS NOT DOING ALL THAT WELL. AND ALL THE TIME I GO
13 BACK TO THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE, I ALWAYS CALL THEM AND THEY SAY
14 IT'S NOT IMPORTANT, THAT WE HAVE SOMETHING TO DO, AND JUST
15 MOVE OUT.

16

17 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THIS IS LYNWOOD?

18

19 **EDUARDO DIAZ:** I'M SORRY?

20

21 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** LYNWOOD? ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT LYNWOOD?

22

23 **EDUARDO DIAZ:** YES, MA'AM.

24

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1 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. I WOULD SUGGEST YOU ALSO SPEAK TO
2 THE REPRESENTATIVE FROM SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, WHO
3 REPRESENTS THE AREA. AND YOU ARE ALWAYS ABLE TO FILE A REPORT.
4 SO, I THINK YOU NEED TO EXERCISE YOUR RIGHTS. OKAY? THANK YOU.

5

6 **EDUARDO DIAZ:** THANK YOU, GRACIAS.

7

8 **PATRICIA MENDOZA:** THANK YOU.

9

10 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, NOW, PATRICIA.

11

12 **PATRICIA MENDOZA:** YES, MY NAME IS PATRICIA MENDOZA. I WAS
13 BASICALLY HIRED FROM THIS FAMILY TO HELP THEM AND GUIDE THEM
14 REGARDING AN INVESTIGATION REGARDING THEIR PROBLEMS. AND I
15 WANTED TO MENTION TODAY THAT I BELIEVE THERE ARE THOUSANDS OF
16 VICTIMS ALL OVER L.A., BUT A LOT OF THEM DON'T -- THEY'RE NOT
17 EDUCATED TO UNDERSTAND OR THEY BELIEVE THAT SOMEONE IS GOOD
18 AND SOMEONE'S GOING TO HELP. SO I'M EDUCATING THESE PEOPLE
19 THAT THERE IS A COMMITTEE. YOU GUYS ARE HERE TO HELP THEM AND
20 THAT SOMEONE DOES CARE. I ALSO WANTED TO MENTION THAT THE
21 TENANTS HAVE TOLD ME, THEY'VE BEEN TENANTS FOR THE PAST THREE
22 YEARS IN THE CITY OF LYNWOOD. A LOT OF SHERIFFS ON FRIDAY
23 NIGHTS, SATURDAYS, AND SUNDAYS BETWEEN 8 P.M. AND 12 MIDNIGHT,
24 THERE'S BETWEEN 8 VEHICLES AND 15 VEHICLES WHERE ALL THE
25 SHERIFFS ARE HANGING AROUND AT 7-ELEVEN. MANY TIMES THOSE DAYS

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1 THEY'VE CALLED THE POLICE AND NO ONE EVER SHOWS UP AT THEIR
2 PROPERTY. JUST A WEEK AGO, TWO WEEKS AGO, MISS MARIA POSCANO
3 HAS RECEIVED THREATS FROM THE TENANTS WHERE SHE'S BEEN
4 INFORMED, "AREN'T YOU AFRAID THAT YOU MIGHT BE GONE, BECAUSE
5 YOU GUYS ARE NO LONGER GOING TO BE PRESENT?" AND ALSO I WANTED
6 TO MENTION THAT THE BUILDING WHERE THEY LIVE IS INFESTED WITH
7 COCKROACHES AND RATS. THE KIDS GO WITH COCKROACHES IN THEIR
8 BACKPACKS. THEIR VEHICLES ARE FULL OF COCKROACHES. WHEN
9 THEY'RE ASLEEP, THE COCKROACHES ARE IN THEIR FACE. AS OF
10 TODAY, NO ONE HAS DONE NOTHING. THE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
11 IS VERY POOR. THE MAYOR'S OFFICE IS VERY POOR. AND I ALSO HAVE
12 A QUESTION. IS IT A CRIME FOR THE CITY OF LYNWOOD TO MAINTAIN
13 FROM THE TAXES OF THE PROPERTY AND FOR THE COUNTY OFFICE TO
14 COLLECT TAXES ON A BUILDING THAT'S FULL OF COCKROACHES AND
15 INFESTED? I MEAN, I DO CONSIDER THIS, PLEASE CORRECT ME IF I'M
16 WRONG, A CRIME OR A SLUMLORD BUILDING. THEY ARE AWARE THAT
17 THEY HAVE A RIGHT TO RETAIN AN ATTORNEY. BUT TODAY IT'S
18 IMPORTANT TO ASK FOR YOUR HELP REGARDING THE NEGLIGENCE AND
19 THE WRONGDOING OF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. THANK YOU.

20

21 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE HAVE JOSE MARTINEZ, MARIA GODOY, ARNOLD
22 SACHS, ERIC PREVEN, GERI MANNING, OSCAR MUHAMMAD. WAYNE,
23 MARINE ELISA CRANE.

24

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1 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS.
2 AND I DON'T KNOW IF ANYBODY READS THE NEWSPAPER FROM MARCH 12,
3 2016. THERE'S A COLUMN BY MICHAEL HILTZIK. HE TALKS ABOUT THE
4 A.Q.M.D., THE SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
5 BOARD. AND PART OF THIS ARTICLE MENTIONS A BOARD MEMBER. IT
6 ACTUALLY MENTIONS TWO BOARD MEMBERS, ONE, ORANGE COUNTY
7 SUPERVISOR SHAWN NELSON, AND THE OTHER, SUPERVISOR MIKE
8 ANTONOVICH. SO I'M THINKING BECAUSE IT MENTIONS SOMETHING
9 ABOUT THE REFINERY INDUSTRY, THAT YOU HAD MADE A MOTION
10 REGARDING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF
11 PUBLIC HEALTH TO FIRE -- TO URGE THE SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY
12 MANAGEMENT DISTRICT TO RECONSIDER THE 48-HOUR DEADLINE. THIS
13 IS FROM A MOTION YOU MADE FEBRUARY 9, 2016, THAT YOU WOULDN'T
14 KNOW ABOUT THE GAS STORAGE FACILITY AT PORTER RANCH AS A
15 MEMBER OF THE A.Q.M.D., THAT THAT WOULD BE THE CITY'S
16 RESPONSIBILITY ALSO, BECAUSE YOU KEEP BACKPACKING AWAY,
17 BACKTRACKING AWAY FROM THAT. YOU MOVED IT FROM A DISCUSSION
18 ITEM TO CLOSED SESSION SO YOU WOULDN'T HAVE TO LISTEN TO
19 PEOPLE COME UP WITH COMMENT ABOUT YOUR INABILITY OR YOUR
20 ABILITY TO TAKE A PAYCHECK BUT NOT AN ABILITY TO DO ANYTHING
21 ABOUT PUTTING PEOPLE IN HARM'S WAY, LIVING WITHIN A STORAGE
22 FACILITY THAT HOLDS 80 MILLION CUBIC FEET OF NATURAL GAS. AND
23 THAT'S PRETTY AMAZING TO ME THAT THERE'S NO -- THE HOMEOWNERS'
24 ASSOCIATION AND THE REALTORS DID NOT HAVE TO FORECLOSE OR LET
25 THE PEOPLE KNOW WHO WHO WERE BUYING THOSE HOMES, THAT THAT

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1 FACILITY EXISTED. IT'S ABSOLUTELY WILD. THERE'S ANOTHER STORY,
2 "CARDINAL'S CLAIM OF OBLIVIOUSNESS CALLED INTO DOUBT." SAME
3 THING.

4

5 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER. MA'AM? GERI MANNING?

6

7 **GERI MANNING:** HI. I HAVE A COUPLE OF ISSUES I WOULD LIKE TO
8 ADDRESS. I HAVE MY OWN PERSONAL PROBLEMS THAT I'VE BEEN
9 BATTLING WITH THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, BUT I ALSO WOULD LIKE
10 TO DISCUSS THE AGENDA ITEM THAT WAS SCHEDULED FOR TODAY THAT I
11 DID NOT GET A CHANCE TO DISCUSS. I AM DEEMING THE COUNTY OF
12 LOS ANGELES A FAILURE. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH HAS SAID THAT HIS
13 NEIGHBORHOOD IS RIDDLED WITH CRIME. AND U.C.L.A. HAD REQUESTED
14 FOR OVER \$30 MILLION, A CAMPUS WHO'S NOT STRAPPED FOR MONEY,
15 FOR AND THEY HAVE BEEN GRANTED THE ALLOCATION OF THAT FUNDING
16 WHEN EVERY OTHER MATTERS IN THE COMMUNITIES ARE SUFFERING AND
17 NOT U.C.L.A. THAT IS MY COMMENT AGAINST THE ITEM 20 ON YOUR
18 AGENDA. NOW, MY PERSONAL ISSUES ARE, THIS IS A VEIL OF
19 DEMOCRACY. THIS IS TO TEAR DOWN THAT VEIL. SUPERVISOR
20 ANTONOVICH HAD RAN UNOPPOSED IN HIS DISTRICT, THE FIFTH
21 DISTRICT, WHERE I HAVE BEEN PERSONALLY PERSECUTED AND
22 OPPRESSED, ARRESTED, BEING -- THE LOS ANGELES SHERIFF DEPUTIES
23 SAY I WAS A CRACKHEAD FOR ALL MY ENTIRE ADULT LIFE. THE
24 PROFESSOR AT COLLEGE OF THE CANYONS SAID I HAVE BEEN
25 HARASSING, STALKING HIM FOR 16 YEARS, WHICH I'M FACING A

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1 CRIMINAL CRIME. I HAVE BEEN OPPRESSED AND PERSECUTED FOR 16
2 YEARS AGAINST THE KIND OF LOS ANGELES. YOU TRIED TO PUT ME IN
3 JAIL FOR 30 YEARS FOR WELFARE FRAUD.

4

5 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MA'AM. YOUR TIME IS EXPIRED.

6

7 **GERI MANNING:** WELL, I JUST WANT TO END BY SAYING THIS IS A
8 FAILED COUNTY. THANK YOU.

9

10 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MA'AM?

11

12 **MAUREEN ELISA CRANE CUHEN:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MAUREEN
13 ELISA CRANE CUHEN. I AM THE QUEEN OF PUERTO RICO. IN MOST OF
14 THE WORLD, I AM KNOWN AS HER MAJESTY MAUREEN ELISA. IN THIS
15 AREA, I AM THE PRINCESS OF CARLISLE. I DO OWN THE TEJON RANCH,
16 AND I DO OWN THE LAND UNDER THE UNITED STATES UNDER THE TITLE
17 OF THE QUEEN OF PUERTO RICO. I ALSO AM THE CHIEF OF THE
18 ANCIENT CHOCTAW LAND IN THE FRAZIER PARK AREA. I AM REQUESTING
19 AN AMALGAMATION HEARING. I DO HAVE AN INTERNATIONAL
20 AMALGAMATION CONTRACT WITH THE UNITED STATES THAT ALLOWS ME TO
21 AMALGAMATE WITH OR WITHOUT YOU. AND I WOULD PREFER TO DO IT
22 WITH YOU RATHER THAN JUST DOING IT AND REMOVING THE MONEY FROM
23 YOUR TREASURY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

24

25 **ERIC PREVEN:** I'LL TAKE HER EXTRA MINUTE, THANKS.

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1

2 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NO, YOU DON'T GET HER EXTRA MINUTE.

3

4 **ERIC PREVEN:** TODAY I MUST SAY, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, YOU SEEM TO
5 BE IN A VERY GOOD MOOD. TODAY'S BROWN ACT VIOLATION WAS ITEM
6 23, AS SUPERVISOR KNABE AND ALL OF THE ATTORNEYS, INCLUDING
7 LARRY HAFETZ, THE LEADER OF TEAM MARINA FOR MANY YEARS, KNOW.
8 IT IS AN ITEM THAT EXTENDS A LEASE FOR 39 YEARS FOR SOME PLACE
9 CALLED THE BOAT YARD, A REASONABLE BUSINESS, BUT IT NEEDS TO
10 BE TEASED OUT THAT WE'RE GOING TO BE DOING A LOT OF REPAIRS,
11 SUPERVISOR KUEHL, TO THE T.M.D.L., THAT'S ON THE BOTTOM OF THE
12 BOATS PAINTED WITH COPPER. I CAN'T WASTE ALL MY TIME ON THIS.
13 I WILL BE FILING WHATEVER IS NECESSARY TO BRING YOU INTO
14 COMPLIANCE. YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO ALLOW MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO
15 COME DOWN AND DILIGENTLY SIGN UP TO SPEAK ON IT. YOU ARE NOT
16 SUPPOSED TO PUSH IT AROUND AND, OH, WE GOT TOO BUSY. I TRIED.
17 I GRIEVED. I DID MY BEST, AND NOW I'M GOING TO GET BACK TO THE
18 OTHER POINTS. IN STUDIO CITY, WHICH IS A TERRIFIC COMMUNITY,
19 WE HAVE VARIOUS COMMUNITY GROUPS, AND WE HAVE A BIG BROUHAHA
20 THAT I'VE INFORMED THE STATELY BOARD ABOUT THE PRIVATE BRIDGE
21 OVER COLDWATER, WHICH IS A PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE, BUT THERE'S SOME
22 TALK ABOUT, SIR, AND YOU'LL LIKE THIS, MAYBE A MONORAIL TO GET
23 THE KIDS FROM THE PARKING STRUCTURE TO THE SCHOOL OVER THE
24 PUBLIC ROAD, SUPERVISOR KUEHL, ONCE THE VACATION OF PUBLIC
25 LAND IS APPROVED BY YOUR COLLEAGUES OVER AT, MAYOR ANTONOVICH,

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1 THE CITY, CORRECT. SO, IN THAT CONTEXT, WE HAVE SOME LOCAL
2 ELECTIONS, WHICH I KNOW IS A BIG PERK-UP-THE-CROWD HERE AT THE
3 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. AND I WOULD JUST LIKE TO REPORT
4 THAT IT IS A LITTLE BIT WITH MY HEART HANGING LOW A LITTLE BIT
5 OR WHATEVER IS HANGING LOW THE STUDIO CITY NEIGHBORHOOD
6 COUNCIL DID NOT WIN ANY VALLEY ALLIANCE OF NEIGHBORHOOD
7 COUNCIL AWARDS AT THE EVENT ON MARCH 10TH, WHERE, MIKE FEUER,
8 THE MAYOR, KREKORIAN, AND ALL THOSE GUYS CAME OUT. WE WERE
9 SHUT OUT, WHICH IS A BIG DISAPPOINTMENT. BUT I WOULD LIKE TO
10 JUST SIMPLY SAY THAT IN THE CATEGORY OF MOST ILLEGAL
11 ELECTIONS, WE HAVE SWEPT GOLD. AND THIS IS FANTASTIC. THIS
12 GROUP HAS NOT MET A KIND OF LUDICROUS ELECTION PROTOCOL THAT
13 THEY HAVE NOT ADOPTED IMMEDIATELY AND THEN RAN FOR HOME. SO,
14 WITH THAT, I SAY HAVE A NICE WEEK.

15

16 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NEXT WITNESS, OSCAR MOHAMMAD.

17

18 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OSCAR MOHAMMED.

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20 **OSCAR MOHAMMED:** I WISH YOU HAD TRIED TO FIND A WAY TO SEPARATE
21 THE RACE, BECAUSE DIFFERENT PEOPLES HAVE RESPECT AND HAVE
22 AUTHORITY OVER PEOPLE THEY DO NOT RESPECT THE PEOPLE WOULD
23 HAVE AUTHORITY OVER. DOWNTOWN SKID ROW, DOWNTOWN DEATH ROW FOR
24 THE HOMELESS PEOPLE STAYED, THAT'S A VERY DANGEROUS COMMUNITY.
25 IF YOU STEP TOO FAR ON THE CURB, THE POLICE MIGHT RUN YOU

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1 OVER. IF YOU STEP TOO FAR OFF THE CURB, THE M.T.A. OFFICERS
2 MIGHT RUN YOU OVER. WE SHOULD BRIDGE POLITICAL RESPONSIBILITY.
3 WE NEED AFFORDABLE HOUSING, BECAUSE MANY TIMES I SEE A LOT OF
4 STRANDED AFRICAN-AMERICAN FEMALES COME FROM THE CHURCH HOUSE.
5 THEY CARRY ALL THEIR BELONGINGS IN THEIR CARRYING CASES ACROSS
6 THE STREETS AND ACROSS THE BUS AND PUSH THEM IN THE PUSH
7 CARTS, SHOPPING CARTS DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES. WE SHOULD HAVE
8 ACCOUNTABILITY FROM OUR GOVERNMENT. BUT, ANYWAY, I WOULD LIKE
9 TO SPEAK ABOUT THE INTERNATIONAL SCENE TODAY. BOARD ZONES,
10 THAT'S WHAT THE BOARD ZONES ARE MADE FOR. IF WE HAD BUILT
11 HUMAN PRISONS AND WORKING FOR TO BUILD HUMAN PRISONS AND
12 WORKED IN THE MIDDLE EAST TO ESTABLISH HUMAN EXCELLENCY BEFORE
13 1947 OR BEFORE PALESTINE WERE CLAIMED BY THE INVADER, THERE
14 WOULD NEVER HAVE BEEN A STATE OF ISRAEL IMPOSED UPON THAT
15 POPULATION. IT'S THE SAME OLD THING. YOU DIVIDE. YOU CAN
16 CONQUER. BUT I SAY AMERICA IS A COMMUNIST COUNTRY. AMERICA IS
17 GOING TO INVITE THE POOR AND THE WEAK TO EXPLOIT IN AMERICA.
18 AIN'T NOTHING IN AMERICA FOR NOBODY. BUT, ANYWAY, THE
19 GOVERNMENT CONTROL ALL THE BUSINESS. BUT THE FIRST PRESIDENT
20 OF THE DEMOCRAT, ANDREW JACKSON, SAID THAT THE PEOPLES HAVE
21 THE RIGHT TO FORM THEIR OWN BUSINESS AND IT SHOULD NOT BE
22 CONTROLLED BY THE GOVERNMENT. THAT'S WHAT YOU CALL FREE
23 ENTERPRISE. BUT CAPITALISM CAME OVER AND DESTROYED FREE
24 ENTERPRISE, AND OUR POLITICS PROTECTS CAPITALISM. AND AMERICA
25 WOULD NEVER FIGHT ISRAEL.

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2 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER.

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4 **WAYNE SPINDLER:** SO, SUPERVISOR, DISTRICT 5, THE CRAP
5 CONTINUES, NOT GETTING FIXED. WHO'S LYING? THEY'VE MADE MIKE
6 ANTONOVICH THE LIAR. THEY'RE NOT FIXING IT. THE DRIVEWAY,
7 THEY'RE NOT FIXING IT. THAT'S ALL THE WATER FROM THE COUNTY
8 ROAD WASHING OVER MY ROAD, DESTROYING IT. ALL'S YOU GOT TO DO
9 IS FIX IT. FILL IT IN AND FIX IT. YOU CAN'T DO IT, CAN YOU?
10 NO, BECAUSE YOU WANT ME TO KEEP COMING HERE. YOU WANT ME TO
11 KEEP GOING TO THESE MEETINGS. YOU WANT ME TO KEEP SEEING
12 WHAT'S GOING ON, BECAUSE YOU ENJOY IT, PAIN. LOOK AT OVER
13 THERE, THE BLANK CHAIR, MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS, THE EMPTY CHAIR,
14 WHICH GOES WITH THE EMPTY SUIT OF SUPERVISOR DISTRICT 2. YOU
15 SAW THE VICTIMS. YOU CAN'T LIVE IN THAT DISTRICT WITHOUT BEING
16 KILLED UNLESS YOU PAY RENTA. THAT'S WHAT THEY DO IN CENTRAL
17 AMERICA, THE GANGS, YOU PAY RENTA. AND MISS SOLIS KNOWS ABOUT
18 RENTA. SHE KNOWS ABOUT WHAT HAPPENS WITH RENTA. [SPEAKING
19 SPANISH.] SO I CALL UPON THE ONLY PERSON WHO GIVES A CRAP,
20 MIKE ANTONOVICH. SEND IN THE FRICKING MARINES AND C.E.2 AND
21 SAVE THOSE PEOPLE FROM MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS, POR FAVOR.

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23 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** FINALLY, TIME'S EXPIRED. THANK GOODNESS.
24 OKAY, MEMBERS. WE'RE GOING TO NOW GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** VERNON HENRY BURLING, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE
2 AGE OF 91. HE HAD WORKED FOR THE LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY COLLEGE
3 DISTRICT AS THE COLLEGE'S FISCAL ADMINISTRATOR, AND HE IS
4 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND TWO DAUGHTERS.

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6 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WITHOUT OBJECTION. OKAY.

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8 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT
9 REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF
10 SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NO.
11 C.S.-3, PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT, INTERVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF
12 CANDIDATES FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE POSITION OF SUPERINTENDENT
13 OF SCHOOLS; LOS ANGELES COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION; C.S.-4,
14 DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS; C.S.-2, CONFERENCE
15 WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION; C.S.-5,
16 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS SACHI A. HAMAI AND
17 DESIGNATED STAFF AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA, AND C.S.-
18 6, INTERVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF CANDIDATE FOR APPOINTMENT TO
19 THE POSITION OF INTERIM MEDICAL EXAMINER CORONER, AS INDICATED
20 ON THE POSTED AND SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDAS.

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1 REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION MARCH 15, 2016

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5 In Open Session item CS-1 was continued one week to March 22,
6 2016.

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8 No reportable action was taken on items CS-2 or CS-5.

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10 CS-3. PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT (Government Code Section 54957)

11 Interview and consideration of candidate(s) for the position
12 of Superintendent of Schools, Los Angeles County Office of
13 Education (15-3795)

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15 The Board selected a final candidate for the position of
16 Superintendent of Schools, Los Angeles County Office of
17 Education which will be returned to the Board for final action
18 on the appointment and instructed the Chief Executive Officer
19 to negotiate a salary and execute an at-will employment
20 contract which is approved as to form by the County Counsel
21 subsequent to approval of an annual salary by the Board of
22 Supervisors.

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24 The vote of the Board was unanimous with all Supervisors being
25 present.

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1 CS-4. DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS (Government Code
2 Section 54957) Department Head performance evaluations (11-
3 1977)

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5 The Board accepted the resignation of Chief Medical Examiner-
6 Coroner Dr. Mark Fajardo. The vote of the Board was unanimous
7 with all Supervisors being present.

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9 CS-6. Public Employment (Government Code Section 54957)

10 Interview and consideration of candidate for appointment to
11 the position of Interim Medical Examiner-Coroner. (16-1448)

12 The Board selected Dr. Lakshmanan Sathyavagiswaran for the
13 position of Interim Chief Medical Examiner- Coroner, and
14 instructed the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate a salary
15 and execute an at-will employment contract no later than April
16 15, 2016, which is approved as to form by the County Counsel
17 subsequent to approval of an annual salary by the Board of
18 Supervisors. The vote of the Board was unanimous with all
19 Supervisors being present.

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